Howe attack on Thatcher leaves MPs gasping

By ROBIN OAKLEY AND PHILIP WEBSTY

DEVASTATING speech to the Commons by Sir Geoffrey Howe yesterday, explaining his resignation as deputy prime minister, left Margaret Thatcher battling for survival in the Tory leadership contest ex-pected to be launched today by a declaration from Michael Heseltine that he will run against

Ministers and Conservative MPs were left gasping as Sir Geoffrey warned that the prime minister was risking Britain's future by her attitude to Europe, incited the rest of the cabinet to follow him on to the backbenches, and encouraged Mr Heseltine to mount a leadership

challenge. He blamed her refusal to listen to him and Nigel Lawson for the past five years over entry to the European exchange rate mechanism for sending Britain's inflation level to its present high levels quite unnecessarily. And Sir Geoffrey revealed a secret long suspected in Westminster, saying that he and Mr Lawson, when they were foreign sec-retary and chancellor, jointly

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Freedom for euthanasia pair

A brother and sister who tried mother after she begged them to kill her yesterday walked free from court and called for a change in the law relating to

The judge said he was sure the couple had acted out of

Synod hint

An early indication of how the on women priests came at the first session of the newly elected General Synod Page 3 Leading article, page 15

Taylor's test



Graham Taylor faces his stiffest test since taking over as, England football manager when his team plays the Republic of Ireland ... Page 42

Shops wait

Supermarkets were awaiting clarification of the health warning on cling film as they sought to calm consumer

Murder claim

A covert South African military unit used convicted murderers to attack perceived

enemies of the state, says a judicial commission.. Page 12 EC bank note The governor of the Bank of England signed the proposed statutes for an independent European central bank, but emphasised in a note of

reservation that Britain did not accept the case either for a single European currency or

for a European monetary Cheaper calls

Lower domestic phone prices are promised after the government unveiled proposals to break the British Telecom and Mercury Communications

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threatened to resign at the time of the Madrid summit in July 1989 if she did not pledge to take Britain into the ERM.

may that he had had to resign when his instinct for loyalty to Mrs Thatcher was still very real after two decades, Geoffrey condemned her for conjuring up nightmares over Europe and said that cabinet government was about trying to persuade from within. That he had tried to do.

"But I realise now the task has become futile, of trying to stretch the meaning of words beyond what was credible, of trying to pretend there was a common policy, when every step forward risked being subverted by some casual comment or impulsive answer.

"The conflict of loyalty to the prime minister . . . and the loyalty I perceive to the true interest of this nation has become all too great. I no within this government. That is they I have resigned. In believe to be right, for my party and my country. The time has come for others to consider their own response to the tragic conflict of loyalties with which I have myself wrestled for perhaps too

with speculation last night about how badly the prime minister had been damaged, loyalists last night called Sir Geofficy's speech "an incite-ment to mutiny". They ac-cused him of abusing the resignation speech procedure and of personal pique.

But many Tory MPs be-lieved that Sir Geoffrey had seriously damaged the prime minister's hopes of winning enough votes in the first round quash the Heschine challenge

David Howell, a former cabinet minister and now the chairman of the Commons foreign affairs select committee, said: "I think it must influence mentals to rection influence people to realise something is badly wrong. We cannot go on as we are. There will have to be changes, whether under the present eadership or under a new

leadership."
Sir Dennis Walters, MP for Westbury, said: "It was an indictment of the prime min ister's conduct of policy in the European negotiations. It must be in the interests of the Conservative party that there leadership. She should go."

Another former minister

Jerry Wiggin, MP for Weston-super-Mare, declared: "There was no dead sheep about that performance. It was devastatng. I have never heard the likes of it in more than 20 years. It was calculated to inflict the maximum dam age." Sir Anthony Meyer, MP for Clwyd North West, who challenged Mrs Thatcher for the leadership last year, said: "A wonderful performance.

Sir Neil Macfarlane, a former Tory minister close to Mr Heseltine, said of the speech: 'It is the most damning

But Tony Favell, who re-signed as John Major's private parliamentary secretary to speak out on Europe, said that frey's wish to put on record his had worked for 15 years were uncalled for "and smacks of a

Gerald Howarth, MP for Continued on page 24, col 2

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Ex-military chiefs oppose a challenge

By Michael Evans, defence correspondent

"depended on strong political challenge to Mrs Thatcher's leadership" during the Falk-lands conflict in 1982 gave a warning yesterday that a change in prime minister with the Gulf.

The former defence chief the prospect of war looming in

dviser during the conflict with Argentina, said it would be "crazy" to have a switch in leadership at this stage of the confrontation.

Mrs Thatcher, he said, was the only leader who had experience of "directing mili-terday. Lord Bramall, chief of the defence staff from 1982 to itical point of view". He added: "Others should listen playing a game of poker with to her and have respect for her

Lord Lewin was echoing remarks made on Sunday by Tom King, the defence sec-

By JOHN O'LEARY, HIGHER

EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

THE taxman yesterday won a High

Court case against nine masters and the bursar of an independent school

which could sound the death knell on

tax-free "perks" for a wide variety of

Malvern College, in Hereford and

Worcester, who had argued that the

benefits they received from reduced

fees for their children were tax-

exempt. The effects of the judgment

may be felt later not only by other independent school staff, but the

Discounted tickets for airline staff,

free travel for British Rail employees

and cheap holidays for travel agency

workers are some of the perks that

could be affected. The case, which

recipients of a variety of perks.

The immediate losers are staff at

FORMER military chiefs who interview. Mr King said a

first aired his views on BBC the Gulf would send the wrong signals to Iraq.

Lord Lewin, who, as chief of the defence staff, was Mrs Thatcher's principal military military side had given a view about a possible challenge to Mrs Thatcher. He denied anyone in government had "put him up to it". Two of his successors, Lord

Fieldhouse and Lord Bramall, expressed similar views yesplaying a game of poker with Saddam Hussein. It's not for military men to enter the political arena but a leader-ship crisis in the middle of all this will not make our bargainretary, during a television ing position any easier."

turned on a Commons statement in

1976, has been watched closely by

Erica Stary, head of tax at the City

solicitors Harbottle and Lewis, said:

"It has got some fairly wide implica-

tions attached to it. They are hitting

the schoolteachers at present, but the

same principle arises wherever an

employer is effectively giving away

for 12 boys, three of them boarders

and the rest day pupils, who were the

sons of assistant masters John Hart,

Martin Knott, Trevor Southall, Hugh

Campbell-Ferguson, David Penter, Brian White, John Knee, William

Denny and the late Colin Nicholls.

and the bursar, Anthony Hunter. Lords Justices Slade, Nicholls and

Farguharson upheld a High Court

The Malvern case involved the fees

employers and tax lawyers.

surplus goods."



TGWU | Kremlin 'backs a ballot arrests

By KEVIN EASON

president of the Russian SCOTLAND Yard detectives Federation, claimed yesterday investigating alleged ballot rig-ging in Britain's biggest union that Mikhail Gorbachev had supported his idea for a coyesterday carried out a series of arrests on Merseyside. Ron alition government of national unity to guide the Soviet Todd, general secretary of the Union through its present Transport and General Work-ers' Union, called in the police after he had to suspend the difficulties.

Mr Yeltsin was reporting to the Russian parliament on his meeting with President Gorbachev on Sunday. His half-hour statement was the first public comment on the meeting by either participant, The Russian leader said that

Roy Penrose, head of the serious crime branch, refused to confirm how many people A Scotland Yard spokes man said: "Officers from New Scotland Yard, assisted by officers from Merseyside, arrested a number of people at addresses in the Merseyside

ruling by Mr Justice Vinelott that tax

must be paid on the "fringe benefits".

some years, in common with many

other independent schools, Malvern

masters had not been charged full fees

for education of their sons at the

school. The boys had to satisfy the

same educational requirements as full

fee-payers, but staff were required to

pay only a fifth of the full boarding or

day fees, now £8,085 and £5,880.

"This is a valuable concession," the

For the 1983-86 tax years, over

which the case was brought, the full

annual fees at Malvern worked out at

£4,675 to £5,300 for boarders and

£3,360 to £3,825 for day boys. Staff

reductions brought these figures down

to between £935 and £1,060 for

boarders and between £672 and £765

Lord Justice Nicholls said that for

Senior TGWU officials based in Liverpool were thought to be among six people questioned at police stations in Merseyside. An official in London was also thought to have been helping

Tax perks in danger as teachers lose case

area following enquiries into alleged criminal activities in

association with the TGWU

first national postal vote.

were arrested

A re-run of the ballot to

elect 39 officers to the ruling

executive council cost the

union £250,000. Commander

Yeltsin coalition'

From MARY DEJEVSKY IN MOSCOW

a formal document setting out the agreements he and Mr Gorbachev had reached would



BORIS Yeltsin, the outspoken be published "in the next three or four days". The Russian-Federation, he said, would ask for the right to nominate the prime minister, defence and finance ministers in a new central government structure.

Later Vitali Ignatenko, President Gorbachev's press spokesman, said that talk of a coalition did not mean that Mr Gorbachev had agreed to the removal of the present government, headed by Niko-iai Ryzhkov. He said that the Gorbachev-Yeitsin encounter was a routine meeting whose significance had been

exaggerated. According to Mr Yeltsin's version, the outcome of his discussions with President Gorbachev fell into three categories: agreements, agree-ments "in principle" and

continued disagreements. Gennady Gerasimov, chief spokesman of the Soviet foreign ministry, was yesterday replaced by Vitaly Churkin, a senior adviser to Eduard Shevardnadze, the foreign minister (Michael Knipe writes). Mr Gerasimov is expected to become an ambassador to a European country, possibly, Britain or Germany.

Travel pitfalls, page 19

for day pupils. The judge said that "benefits in kind" had been a feature

of employment in Britain for many

years and were split into two cate-gories - "external benefits" such as

company cars and private medical

insurance, and "in-house benefits"

those offered to Malvern teachers.

which included cut-price fees such as

The staff, who were given leave to

appeal to the House of Lords, had

argued that a statement on the subject

by Robert Sheldon, as financial

secretary to the Treasury, had implied

that teachers would only be taxed on

Staff discounts of half to a third of

normal fee levels are widespread

among the 50,000 staff in independent

schools. The Independent Schools

Information Service said an appeal

the marginal cost to their schools.

Britain to send second tank brigade to Saudi Arabia

By MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

secretary, is expected this at least three weeks. week to announce that a second armoured brigade of Challenger tanks is to be sent from Germany to Saudi Arabia. Mr King returns tomor- for Britain's military effort in row from a three-day visit to the Gulf.At present 16,000

The first British servicemen was killed in the Gulf yes-terday when his Jaguar aircraft crashed in the desert in Bahrain during a routine low flying training mission. The pilot was named as Flight Lieutenant Keith Collister, 26, married with no children. A squadron of Jaguars has

initial British deployments in early August.

The recommended dispatch of another brigade to join the 7th Armoured Brigade in the north eastern section of Saudi Arabia, was at the top of a list of options presented to Mr King by the central staff of the

defence ministry.

Mr King has indicated that
Britain would be sending more troops. But a decision was delayed until he had had a chance to discuss the possibil-ity of another full brigade with King Fahd of Saudi Arabia and also with General Norman Schwarzkopf, the commander of the American forces. Although it will not be necessary to send as many support services this time, shipping over 100 Challenger

TOM KING, the defence tanks from Germany will take A second brigade will nearly double the number of ground troops committed to Opera-tion Granby, the codename personnel from the three ser-

vices are involved in the operation, of which at least second brigade would con of at least 6,000 men. Howquarters set up in the area for command and control.

Lt General Sir Peter de la commander of the British officer will be appointed under him, operating from the divisional HQ.

The 7th Armoured Brigade will be declared operational final work-up exercise

Significant modifications have been made to their equipment for desert fighting. including fitting engine sar the experience of the Americans who arrived in August, shortly after the invasion of

Army kills gunman in Ulster ambush

number of offices excessed in Northern hickand yesterday after the army ambushed gunmen who opened fire on the family home of a member of the security forces.

The shooting, at the village of Victoria Bridge in Co Tyrone, five miles from the month in which republican mediately returned fire. aramilitaries have killed by soldiers.

The army's action won who welcomed what they termed "effective measures of secrecy over the incident and demanded to know

According to the police in Londonderry, a house belong-

ing to the father of a member of the security forces, believed to be a soldier in the Ulster Defence Regiment, came under gun attack shortly beborder town of Strabane, is the fore midnight. Soldiers who second in little more than a were watching the house im-

One man is a car and a machine gon was subsequently recovered from the vehicle. An extensive follow-up operation continued in the area all night during which that will stop the terrorists". at least ten men were arrested. Sinn Fein accused the police Seven of them, who were men Seven of them, who were men from a local darts team pass-Continued on page 24, col 6

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judge said.

Britain must have closer ties with EC. Heseltine says

Michael Heseltine defended the sovereignty of the House inst any idea of Britain standing apart from closer economic ties with the Euro-

Unlike Margaret Thatcher on the previous evening, he phors. He kept his delivery straight and close to the ted line, and avoided cing caught out by any journalists' questions. Afterards, he left to watch Sir

prime minister by name, he ntrated on answering and fears about European integration. He paid particular attention to defending British sovereignty, suggesting that this is the ball in the air that he most expects Mrs Thatcher to try to hit for six.

"I do not expect the emer-gence in the foresceable future of any political structure in western Europe that would submerge the instincts of national sovereignty," he said. Britain would always have the option of pulling out of the EC f it felt this would be in its interests. "In practical Enro-

IN A speech here yesterday pean politics cach country designed to unify the Conser-retains, and will, in my view, retains, and will, in my view, continue to retain, a wide discretion of action. Whatever the rhetoric, this is how the big players in Europe see their itical co-operation certainly, but not political federation." A year ago Mr Heseitine, as

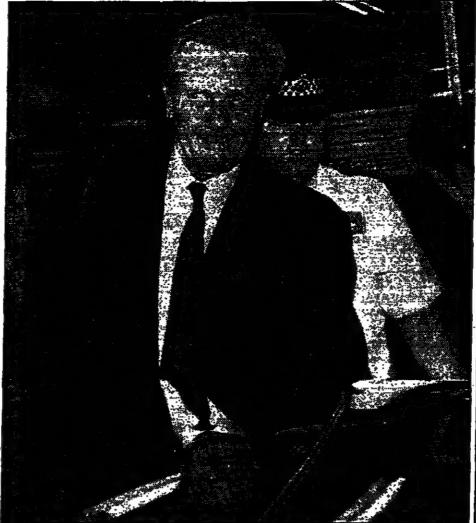
a well-known pro-European, accepted the invitation to speak here to the Kangeroo Group, which campaigns for the elimination of EC borders. Much of his text was taken from a largely unreported speech he made in Bonn only six weeks ago, when his chall-



radio and the press in full As a European, he argued

that Britain must negotiate and then enter the European "Britain lost its ability to conditions of the common agricultural policy when it was perceived that our civil servants were more interested in delaying progress towards the Treaty of Rome and they were finally asked to leave the conference table. My country has paid a very heavy price for that mistake ever since. The suspession that Britain can nomic ties in Europe has an ominous message for those who remember the original decision of the six to . . .

was no need to guide or influence the evolution of new institutions, "they will certainly guide and influence us. Better by far to reach for the levers of power, if only to prevent others from pulling them first." Mr Heseltine said the EMU to define national self-interest through support



for the City of London in its nance. With an eye to attacks from Mrs Thatcher and her supporters, he said Britain approaches these issues with a proper caution. "I have no doubt that that is the right approach, and an approach widely shared on the

He added: "The proviso quality would the decision remains to persuade our Euro- about who managed their pean partners to recognise econoit is; we have to recognise their belief that the journey upon which we are embarked has a destination. Most journeys

He said that only when all

How being the favourite can be a curse

By ROBIN OAKLEY, POLITICAL EDITOR

WITH Michael Heseltine ex- has handled things pected to announce today his brilliantly. leadership, his backers admitted to a private nightmare: that by running him as a first round candidate, they will provide the stalking horse for Douglas Hurd

If Margaret Thatcher were to be forced out of the contest after the first round and Mr Hurd then stood, many MPs believe that he could beat Mr Heseltine as he would be the more likely to unify the party. After Mr Hurd the job would pass to a new generation.

The Heseltine camp had been hoping that Sir Geoffrey Howe would mount a challenge, so enabling their man to come into the contest without being cast as a party-splitter, a charge he would like to avoid for the sake of any future battle if not successful in this one. The foreign secretary, who has been at pains to sugg-est that he is not consumed by a passion to inherit the leaderthip, is seen as the safest pair

Senior cabinet figures agree that if a challenge were to lead to Mrs Thatcher's resignation efore the second round, then Mr Hurd would be the best "stop Heseltine" candidate.

Favourites rarely win Tory leadership contests. The party establishment would have said before Edward Heath successor was Willie Whitelaw. One reason that Mrs Thatcher came through, is that political memories are

Leadership contests are of-ica won by those who have performed particularly well in Thatcher's well-researched efforts attacking Labour's economic record in the months leading up to the Tory contest against Mr Heath won her votes from young MPs who might not have been natural ideological allies but who

Ministers' rises below inflation

POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE prime minister and her ters are to receive pay rises of well below the inflation rate from January next year. Mrs Thatcher and her cabinet colleagues will receive increases of nearly £5,000 while ministers of state will have rises of almost £4,000.

The ministerial increases are in line with the 8.5 per cent salary rise due to MPs on January 1. Mrs Thatcher's official pay will increase from £66,851 to £72,500 but, as in previous years, she will claim only the same salary as a cabinet minister sitting in the

Such a minister will see a salary increase from £55,221 to £59,914, a minister of state from £44,951 to £48,771 and a parliamentary secretary from £38,961 to £42,272. The pay for a minister of state sitting in the Lords will rise from £39,641 to £43,010 and a

parliamentary secretary from £33,241 to £36,066.

Neil Kinnock's salary will rise from £52,301 to £56,746, the Attorney general's from £57,421 to £63,301, Solicitor General's from £57,721 nesal's from £50,701 to £55,010 and the Speaker's from £56,951 to £61,791.

He has looked a natural fixture at the foreign office, exuding calm authority. In informal tandem with the slightly more Euro-sceptical John Major, he has proved a

unifying force on the one big

issue that has been allowed to

divide the party: Europe. In spite of his years at Mr Heath's side, Mr Hurd is no Euro-fanatic. His period at the home office, battling to maintain sufficient controls against terrorists and drug runners in the European rush to dismantle barriers, expunged any traces which might have remained. He sees the need however, for a Britain whose future is inextricably woven into the EC future, to be

helping shape that future. He is, in short, the true pragmatist. He is no keener than the prime minister is on grand themes and dreams wafting out of Brussels, but he is determined to avoid Britain being faced with a choice of which lane to occupy in a two-

12 years for murder plot man

the police officer in charge of a case against him was yes-terday jailed for 12 years by the Central Criminal Court. Salim Mohammed, aged 36, had offered to pay what he thought were terrorists, but were in fact policemen £50,000 to kidnep, torture and murder the officer. Salim, of Manor Park, east London, wanted him to disclose the ocation of a woman he was the case would collaps

His mother, Shami Mohammed, of Dalston, northeast London, was jailed for seven years for her part in the plot.

Guitarist hurt



Ronaic Wood, guitarist with the Rolling Stones, broke both legs yesterday when he was knocked over as he tried to direct traffic around his crashed car on the M4 near Swindon, Wiltshire. He was recovering last night in the Princess Margaret hospital,

Charges dropped Marconi, the defence and electronics company, and four forcleared at Winchester Crown Court yesterday on seven charges that they had made excessive profits on contracts with the defence ministry for Vocoders. The verdicts came after the prosecution said it would not press its case on the allegations. The trial contin-ues on 12 remaining counts, denied by all defendants.

Dukes resigns Alan Dukes resigned yes-terday as leader of Fine Gael, the main opposition party in the Irish Republic in the wake of its disastrous showing in last week's presidential elec-

tions. Austin Carrie, the party's candidate, polled only 17. per cent of the vote in the election won by Mary Robin-

RAF bases to close in Germany named

By MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

Germany to be closed under the government's options for Archie Hamilton, the armed forces minister, said yesterday.

Flights from the two bases

will be phased out from next year. RAF Guterslöh houses two squadrons of Harriers, a squadron of Chinook heli-copters and a squadron of Puma helicopters. At RAF Wildenrath there are two squadrons of Phantoms which are to be taken out of service

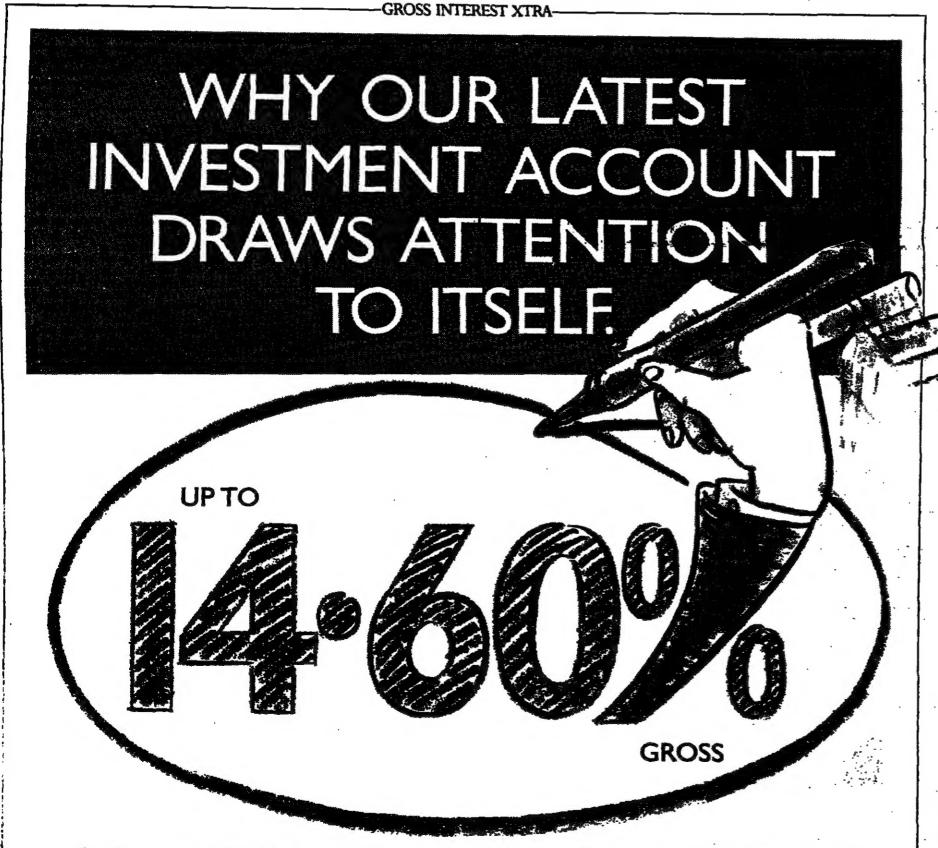
and several Andover aircraft. The bases were chosen because of the changing role of British forces in Germany since reunification. The Phantoms at Wildenrath policed airspace over the northern half of the former West German territory. With the US, they also safeguarded access to

THE two air force bases in Berlin. The first task involved patrolling a 30-mile wide buffer along the border with change defence review, will be East Germany, to prevent at Guterslöh and Wildenrath, infringements by aircraft from infringements by aircraft from

Guterslob, the RAF's only operational base east of the Rhine, was committed to supporting the British army in Germany.

The two suriving RAF bases at Bruggen and Laarbruch house the Tornado squadrons which will retain a peacetime role in the unified Germany, although low level training flights have had to be drastically reduced.





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Brother and sister go free after trying to kill dying mother

ditional discharge, a judge told them: "I am sure that it was the deep attachment and love

Thompson gave their mother, Mrs Pauline Barber, a potentially fatal overdose of a dying of cancer in hospital, Leicester Crown Court was told. The attempt failed after Royal Infirmary intervened tragic for the mother who died and revived her, but Mrs from such a harrowing termi-Barber, aged 59, died 12 days

Nicola, a 22-year-old student, both of Leicester, admitted attempted murder.

Policeman

is freed

after rape

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and seven years for rape.

tion evidence had been

pointed out to the jury, they

would not have convicted

ering proposals to extend de-

sign guidelines on planning and introduce building codes

to assist architects, developers

and local councillors on mat-

ters of taste, Chris Patten, the

environment secretary, an-

He told fellow ministers,

now responsible for commiss-

ioning their own new build-

ings: "Accountancy architect-

ure can actually be a bad

Royal Fine Art Commission

government in architecture,

said that councillors on local planning committees, who of-

in London on the role of space and context.

nounced last night.

good investment."

After Mrs Barber's children of whether to revive her, a

thought for some time about their mother's obvious dis-tress. "On any showing this is nal illness, and harrowing, too, for the defendants."

who had always been a fighter and taken on the onslaught of Michael Pert, for the her disease. But at the end her prosecution, had described illness brought her down. how on July 3 Mrs Barber was Nicola speaks of an incident of

Mr Langdale said Andrew and Nicola both told police they had given thought to the moral issues involved and, in effect, "playing God". They did not go to the hospital with

a "wholly exceptional" course course you did."

on Peter Boulton, a leading Anglo-Catholic, was defeated by an evangelical, Canon John Stanley, in the election of prolocutor or head of the York Convocation. The Ven David Silk, Archdeacon of Leicester, ion was a move in the was re-elected as prolocutor of the Canterbury convocation

> Analyses of the election adhouse of laity have suggested that more than a third opposed women priests. About 40 per cent of the house is

Poll backs

women

priest

adherents

By RUTH GLEDHILL RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS REPORTER AN EARLY indication of how the Church of England will

vote on women priests came yesterday in closely fought

elections in the first session of the new General Synod.

Supporters of women's ordination defeated their

opponents to head the 250-

strong house of laity. Senior

churchmen believe that the

house of laity will be crucial

when the ordination of

women measure is voted on, probably in 1992. The issue is

likely to be one of the most

divisive to face the church this

century. Early speeches to the

synod yesterday contained re-

David McLean, professor of law at Sheffield university and

a strong supporter of women's

ordination, was re-elected as chairman of the house of laity.

The most significant vote,

tina Baxter, an evangelical

Margaret Hewitt, national co-

ordinator of Women Against the Ordination of Women, to

be vice-chairman of the house

peated pleas for unity.

and about half of the members supports it in principle but is In the previous vote, in of the house are women. The keen not to see a divided election addresses indicated a swing from the previous synod, where opposition to wom-

house of laity. A large number of new members, however, in both houses, means that the way the synod will go is still

in the house of clergy than the

's ordination was stronger

elical opposed to women's ordination, and Sir Timo-

church, both stood for chairman of the house of laity. Sir Timothy also stood for vice-

At the final vote in the General Synod, a two-thirds majority will be required in

was for legislation that could enable women's ordination in with a two-thirds majority. Opposition was greatest in the

house of clergy. The Queen, who inaug rated the fifth synod, said in

loyalty to the promises of Christ, you will find a unity deeper than the division of the

A call from the floor for a debate on the Gulf confrontation was loudly applauded. A statement on the subject is expected from Dr Robert Runcie, the Archbishop of Canterbury, tomorrow.



RSPCA defends shock adverts on

A POLICE sergeant jailed for seven years for allegedly raping a drunk woman driver in a police cell was cleared and freed by the Appeal Court yesterday.

Dennis Davies, aged 47, a policeman for 25 years with two commendations classed.

Lane, the Lord Chief Justice, announced the verdict. It was eight months and a day since Davies, of Telford, Shropwas convicted Shrewsbury Crown Court. Lord Lane, sitting with Mr Justice Rose and Mr Justice Pill, said the prosecution evidence was nebulous, contradictory and riddled with inconsistencies. The woman who accused the policeman of rape had been arrested and put

in a police cell at Wellington ed to take action and cam-paign for tougher legislation." One advertisement, showpolice station, near Telford, after being found to be more ing a dead pony hanging by its neck from a meat book, is than three times over the drink-driving limit in October intended to highlight the soci-Sergeant Davies was the ety's concern that Britain custody officer at the police might be forced to lift the ban on the export of live horses to station and went into the woman's cell alone, contrary to police regulations. Lord Lane said he was very unwise

to go into the cell un-The dead pony was photographed in an unnamed Brit-It was not until six weeks abattoir after being later that the woman claimed that he had kissed her, stroked slaughtered legally and hu-manely. "We do not regard this as misleading," Mr Grant her hair, indecently assaulted her and then raped her. The said. "The picture is a potent policeman was sentenced to 21 months for indecent assault symbol of the fate that could await horses after they have been transported live to conti-Quashing the conviction, Lord Lane said that if the nental abattoirs to satisfy the taste there for freshly butchinconsistencies in the prosecuered horsemeat."

Horse and Hound, the "bi-

the live horse trade by allow-ing only animals above a specified value, such as race-

The RSPCA, which will also show advertisements in car-riages of London Underground trains, is focusing its campaign on four demands: a limit of eight hours on journeys to abattoirs; a continuation of the British ban on the export of live horses and ponies; compulsory certifica-tion of all vehicles and drivers transporting animals; and enforcement of the law

of inspectors. More than 491,000 sheep and 300,000 cattle were exported to the Continent from Britain last year. The Netherlands exported about 400,000 sheep and 2.5 million pigs to other EC countries and France about 350,000 sheep to Italy and Spain. About 140,000 horses, mostly from

suggested that three or four local planning authorities

could produce model design

guidelines, to provide com-

Buildings should respect

their locations, but should

mon ground.

animal shipments By MICHAEL HORNSBY, AGRICULTURE CORRESPONDENT

Graphic and emotive advertisements, due to appear in national newspapers this week, will spearhead the campaign. Gavin Grant, the society's campaigns director, rejected suggestions that the advertisements might be thought in poor taste or misleading. He said: "The images are hard-hitting and we make no apology for that. By showing people the horrors we hope they will be motivat-

slaughterhouses on the Conti-nent after 1992, when the EC single market takes effect.

ble" of the hunting classes, was offered the picture of the dead pony by the RSPCA to

Patten puts case for design

By Charles Knevitt, architecture correspondent

THE government is consid- tastes on architects and areas. Harmony in design

every council chamber, while

flexibility should be retained.

the introduction of building

codes, advocated by the

Prince of Wales and im-

plemented in some American

investment. Good design is a tended as "a stimulus, not a health, absentecism, and the

ten displayed "visual illit- not stymied" and could op- about how its own buildings

eracy", should be prevented erate at two levels - for should be commissioned, Mr

from imposing their own ordinary and extraordinary Patten said.

Mr Patten, speaking at the point the way in matters of avoidable maintenance and

He said that he was studying

developers. The battle of should not, however, mean a

styles should be avoided in pallid insipidity. Mr Patten

cities, to try to ensure that new neither "ape nor rape" their

development enhanced the surroundings. He said bad

existing character of cities. design was costly in terms of The guidelines would be in- user dissatisfaction, bad

strait-jacket", and would expense and disruption of

scale, layout, public open repairs. All good building space and context. designs should involve an

sure that sensitive dev- use of energy. The govern-

elopment was "stimulated, ment had ordered a study

The guidelines should en- audit of pollution creation and

Prevention of Croelty to Ani-mals (RSPCA) defended the the magazine declined to run two commendations, clasped paign to curtail the transport magazine's editor, was not his head in his hands as Lord of live animals for slaughter.

For the past 40 years Britain has effectively banned horses, to be exported. The 1981 Animal Health Act sets a minimum value of £495 for horses and £220 for ponies and an age limit of eight years. The European Commi regards this device as restraint on trade that cannot continue after 1992.

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Andrew and Nicola came to visit her, nursing staff checked the syringe and found it was empty. "This left staff with an intolerable dilemma

Timothy Langdale, for the powerful painkiller as she lay defence, said the pair had nursing staff at Leicester a tragic and upsetting case -

Andrew Thompson, aged They acted as they saw it in 25, a hotel manager, and the best interests of their

something. Her brother des-cribes how he stayed awake all night before they visited their mother and had discussed with his sister speeding up their mother's death."

anything but, once there, it was almost "an unspoken act". They immediately indicated to bospital staff what they had done.

Mr Justice Tudor Evans said the offence would norprison term, but he was taking He said he was sure "that the distress of seeing your mother's suffering was overwhelming for each of you. I accept that she pleaded with you to end her suffering. I also accept that you debated long before you decided to embark on the

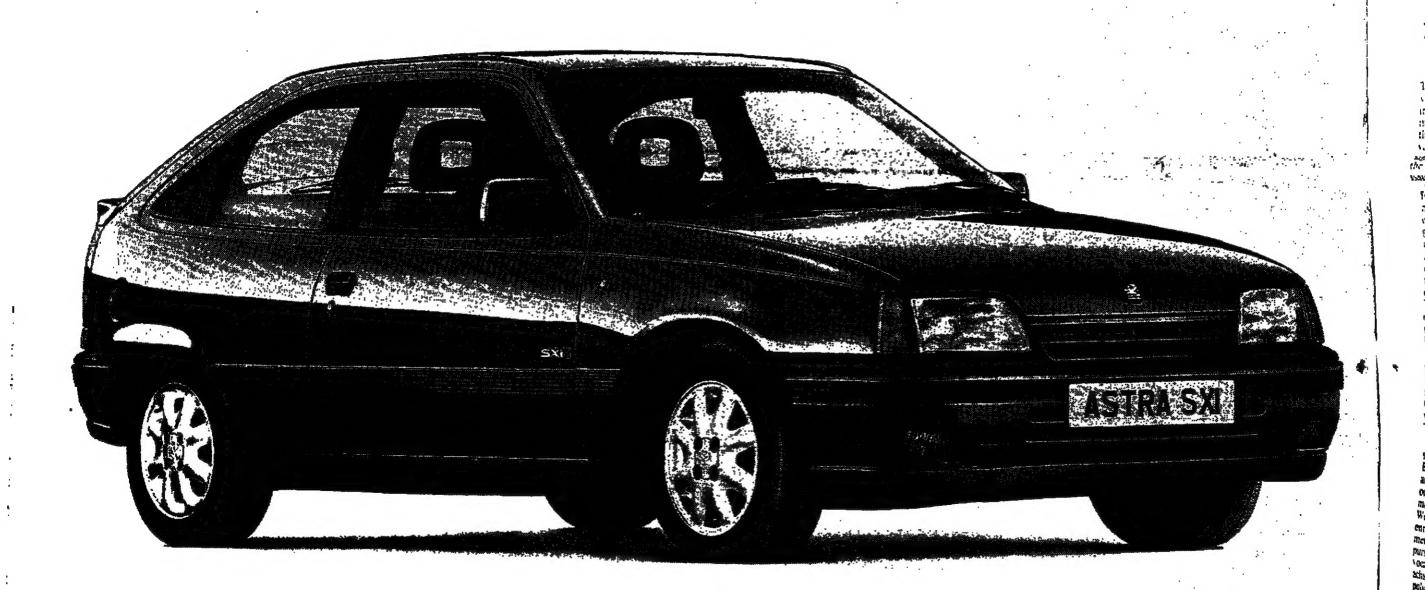
After the hearing the couple's solicitor, Oliver D'Sa, very grateful to the judge for the understanding and com-passion with which he dealt with our case. We feel his

While we are grateful for the sentence passed, we still believe real justice will only start being done when the law is changed so that terminally ill people have the right to die. and touched we are by all the support and sympathy we

Andrew Thompson said later: "I remember saying please forgive me for what am about to do. I held my mum's hand I put my head on her chest and I started to pump [the syringe]."

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Advisers tell Clarke to retain full curriculum

By DAVID TYPLER, EDUCATION EDITOR

when his school advisers refused to agree to the dropping of art, music and physical education from the compulsory national curriculum.

John MacGregor, his predecessor, had asked the national curriculum council to consider dropping the three subjects for 14-16 year olds in order to find room for extra GCSE lessons in, for example, the classics, sociology and

Mr MacGregor's view was supported earlier this month by Timothy Eggar, the education minister, who said that keeping to all ten national curriculum subjects would not allow schools to introduce either extra academic studies or much-needed vocational

courses for less able children. The council insisted yesterday, however, that consultation involving about 400 secondary schools out of 5,000 in England and Wales had shown strong support for the full national curriculum for all pupils up to 16.

Duncan Graham, council chairman and chief executive, said: "There was no support at all for dropping PE from the national curriculum. There was also a strong consensus

The council supported the

Vouchers 'not on manifesto?

By Nicholas Wood POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE subject of education vouchers will not be included in the next Conservative manifesto. Kenneth Clarke. the education secretary, said yesterday amid continuing signs of a rift between him and the prime minister over the

Mr Clarke's piedge went further than his weekend remarks in which he said vouchers were not on the government's agenda. It was unusual in that it would appear to be beyond the education secretary's competence to close off a policy option actively canvassed by Tory right-wingers with the encouragement of the prime minister as long as 18 months before the next election.

His promise came in reply to a question from Jack Straw. Labour's chief education spokesman, who asked Mr Clarke whether vouchers would be included in the next Tory manifesto.

The education secretary said: "No they will not. Because as the prime minister and I explained, what we set out to achieve is choice, money following the pupil. We have done that by open enrolment, by local manage-ment of schools... All the aims pursued by those who advocated vouchers are being achieved by our present

Mr Straw's attack followed exchanges between the prime minister and Neil Kinnock in which she failed to quash suggestions of a disagreement between herself and Kenneth

KENNETH Clarke, the new government's view that all education secretary, faced his children should continue with first brush with the educa- mathematics, English, science, tional establishment yesterday a modern language and technology up to GCSE but suggested that more time could be found for extra subjects if history and geography were combined as one GCSE.

In its recommendations to Mr Clarke, the council said that all subjects should be tested up to GCSE or an approved vocational qualification that satisfied the demands of the curriculum. There was no support for a new qualification based on minimal achievements in the national curriculum.

All pupils should continue in the arts in a joint course up to GCSE or its equivalent. It could cover various skills such as dance and drama as well as music and art. Mr Graham said that with

careful timetabling schools should be able to allow pupils to choose to do additional work in geography, history, art, music, physical education, religious education, the three sciences, or subjects outside the basic curriculum such as a second modern language. Bright children are being let down by state schools and may be further disadvantaged the national curriculum. the National Association for Gifted Children said vesterday at the launch of a survey of

local education authorities (John O'Leary writes).
The association believes that state schools can cater for the gifted by allowing them to work with older age groups, but it fears that the structuring of the national curriculum may make schools even more



Clarke: first brush with

Makers told to carry cling film warning

MANUFACTURERS of cling film were told yesterday by the agriculture ministry to warn the public that the film should not be used to wrap foods with a high fat content, such as cheese and meat. Packs of film should carry advice to that effect.

The instruction comes after a warning on Monday by the ministry's steering group on food surveillance that chemicals in the film might be harmful to health. The warning has sent tremors through the £18 million packaging and industrial films industry, which produces 24 million packs of cling film a year.

"Because a chemical can transfer from cling film into food, it does not follow that the process is dangerous, but it does point to the need, as a precaution, for further testing to ensure that levels of intake are safe," Dr Michael Knowles, the ministry's chief scientist, said yesterday. Dr Knowles said cling film

should not be used for cooking in conventional ovens nor for lining dishes or wrapping food whilst cooking in a microwave oven, but could be used for covering containers or when reheating meals on plates in a microwave oven. The warnings about film for household use did not apply to the thicker type of film used to wrap food sold in shops.

A survey by The Times indicates that several supermarket chains, including Tesco and Safeway, are so far standing by their use of so-called "low migration PVC film" as wrapping on delicatessen counters.

However, retailers are awaiting a meeting later this week with ministry officials and indicated they would cease to use cling film to wrap prepared food if that istry warnings and said it would welcome a legal requirement that cling film packs be clearly marked with their intended usage.

for which they are

New warnings on

possible health

dangers from

wrapping food in

cling film have

alarmed the public

and supermarkets,

Michael Horsnell

reports. The

agriculture

ministry has now

clarified advice

Tesco said: "We have been

introduced a low migratory

film wrap three years ago in

response to ministry guide-

there is no cause for alarm."

concerned that, having faithfully followed ministry and EC guidelines there should

be a health alarm for the

Roger Dunleavy, technical director of Filmco Inter-

national of Sedgefield, Co

Durham, the biggest manu-

facturing plant in Europe, said: "In the report there is no suggestion that any of

these products cause cancer.

We get hit very hard in the

packaging field.
"We are at risk of the

industry being damaged when people make un-founded allegations."

The company pointed out

that the toxicity of DEHA is

lower than that of vinegar

and said that all raw materi-

als have international ap-

proval for safe contact with

food. The British Plastics

Federation recommended its

second time in three years.

The Packaging and Indus-

were

recommendation.

The government will concentrate on the uniform labelling of cling film packs in conjunction with its European partners.

The Food Commission watchdog criticised the government for delay in warning the public and said the latest move did not so far enough. Sue Dibb, who wrote a report five months ago into possible ministry risks in using wrapping film on food, said the government's own advisers warned well aware of the question of three years ago that know-ledge of potential hazards risk of migration of plasti-cisers for five years and we was inadequate. She said: "It is the wrong way round to wait for substances to be used and then worry about lines. On the strength of that the safety. We should ensure that these products are safe trial Films Association is

The independent Food Safety Advisory Centre urged people to use greaseproof paper or airtight con-Melanie Miller of the Con-

sumers' Association says that the decision on what chemicals can go on a proposed European Commission list may not be as stringent when the interests of 12 countries have to be reconciled. Some Community members have much less careful surveillance programmes than Britain, and may want to protect their own chemical industries against the new regulations.

• The Good Housekeeping Institute is to open a hotline on cling film today for consumers, which will be manned by food and nutritional experts during office hours. The line, 071 439 5238, will open from 9.30am.



watchdogs behind Product advances left safety

By NIGEL HAWKES SCIENCE EDITOR

THE cling film controversy provides a classic example of the ability of the chemical industry to produce new materials more quickly than the toxicologists can test them for harmful effects.

This week's report casting doubt on the safety of cling film is a direct result of earlier recommendations by the same committee calling for the reduction of a plasticiser used in clingfilm and shown to cause cancer in 1985 and mice. That material, called DEHA (di-2-ethylhexyl adipate) has, indeed, be used less since the 1987 warning.
Its place, though, has been taken

by another plasticiser about which

chemical which can cause cancer in the extreme doses used on laboratory animals has been replaced by another which has yet to be properly tested. Not surprisingly, the agriculture ministry's expert committees have reacted sharply, for this development runs directly counter to the advice they gave in 1987 that food packaging materials should not be used "until appropriate toxicological testing and evaluation have been performed". The danger, however, is entirely theoretical, and consumer organ-

"This is really not one to worry about," Melanie Miller, of the

to get too alarmed.

isations yesterday urged people not

Consumers' Association, said. People will be quite safe if they follow the ministry's advice not to wrap fatty foods in cling film. In microwave ovens it's all right for defrosting and reheating, but it's not a good idea to cook in direct contact with the film."

The new plasticiser is ATBC (acetyl tributyl citrate), used increasingly in the films used to wrap pate, processed meat, boil-in-the-bas meats and choose. It was designed specifically for microwave , either to cover food or to line the dish in which it is cooked, Like all plasticisers, its role is to give the films flexibility.
It may be that ATBC is a wholly

beneficent material which could be

consumed for a lifetime without danger, but nobody really knows. Faced with this, the Food Advisory Committee has for a moment abandoned its usual anaesthetic prose and become quite testy.

"It is unacceptable that intakes of inadequately studied compounds should have reached the levels described in this report," it declares. Since 1987, the amounts of ATRC consumed by the Bruish public have increased by a factor of 30, while none of the studies on texicity then called for have been completed. The Committee on Toxicity is now demanding to see this data within two years.

The plasticiser, which makes up about 4 per cent of the weight of the contact. Most plasticisers are soluble in fat, which increases the rate of migration into fatty foods like cheese. A slice of cheese wrapped in cling film will therefore take up plasticiser much more rapidly than a cheese sandwich. When temperatures are raised in an oven or microwave oven, rates of migration INCCESS.

As a result, the ministry com-mittee concludes that some people may be consuming as much as I.S milligrams a day of ATBC. Toxicity tests on rats given vastly more than this (up to 1 grant per kilogram of bodyweight per day) for six weeks showed no toxic effects; but more

Pledge on programme of therapy for sex offenders

By QUENTIN COWDRY, HOME AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

British jails was promised yesterday by David Waddington, the home secretary.

was being offered to criminals treatment programmes. such as rapists and paedophiles than was generally recognised, but admitted present prison programmes were opportunity and the resources to co-ordinate and develop our arrangements," he told a national conference of prison

governors in Blackpool. Brian Emes, the prison department's director of in-

A NATIONAL programme of next financial year, when sentherapy for the growing tence planning would be in-number of sex offenders in troduced for all sex offenders, and positive. We don't have That would entail expen assessment of the needs of newly-sentenced offenders He said that more treatment and individually-tailored

Mr Waddington thought it likely that the department would transform a handful of jails into assessment and treattoo limited and over-reliant ment centres for sex offenders, on individual initiatives, although the timescale for What we now have is the such a move remained uncertain. Such jails would, it was hoped, forge strong links with local hospitals and their local communities to maximise the chances of rehabilitating offenders.

Mr Emes said that the mate programmes, said later Home Office would also step that the first fruits of the new up research into sex-offending policy would appear in the and treatment methods, model countrywide,

"There is a requirement for us to do something constructive prisons merely to keep people on ice or to warehouse offenders. We must see jail as an opportunity to exercise a benign influence on them." ☐ A pioneering method of

handling of child sex abuse cases in Surrey should serve as a blueprint for other parts of the country in the wake of the Cleveland and Rochdale affairs, Barrie Irving, director of the Police Foundation, said

Launching a report on a year's work by the Social Services' and Police Investigation of Sexually Abused Children project, he said that he hoped it would serve as a

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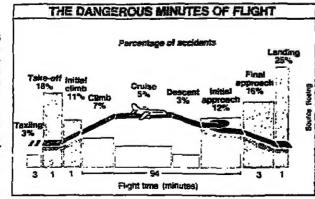
By HARVEY ELLIOTT AIR CORRESPONDENT

MORE than half the fatalities in air crashes could be prevented if airlines and regu-latory authorities made full use of two simple and cheap items of safety equipment, it was claimed yesterday.

In a two-year analysis of the causes of more than 400 air accidents, the Boeing company found that 70 per cent of all crashes took place in the first two and the last four minutes of flight. Most deaths occurred when "the pilot flew an otherwise perfectly good aeroplane into the ground", resulting in 1,200 deaths in the past two years alone. Boeing said 900 of the deaths could have been prevented.

It said that in 1989 five of the six accidents happened because the pilots ignored a voice warning to "pull up", which was automatically activated as the aircraft flew too

Earl Weener, Boeing's safety engineer, said in London that the ground proximity warning equipment. which costs about \$30,000 (about £15,000), dramatically reduced accidents in the mid 1970s, when it became compulsory in many countries. (ILS) at all airports. Of the Royal Aeronautical Society. universities



However, some pilots still are not trained what to do when they sound and some by the crews because earlier models went off in error and

were disregarded". all airlines were forced to buy commercial airlines. the latest equipment and train their crews fully in their use at ling the tworld to persuade least 900 of the 1,200 deaths in airlines and governments to the last two years could have take action to prevent a feared been avoided."

Booing believes that the other fundamental change coming years. that could help to reduce accidents is the fitting of instrument landing systems

4,000 airports which are used ignored the warnings, "Others by scheduled airlines, only 1,800 have ILS fitted, even though accidents on landing systems are even disconnected are four times higher at those which do not have it," Mr Weener said. The \$1 million (£510,000) system is fitted at He said: "We believe that if all airports in Britain used by

> Boeing executives are tour-25 per cent rise in the number of aircraft accidents over the

The same message was given in London yesterday by Michael Ramsden of the

record may be very good, down from five fatal crashes per million flights in 1960 to only two today. But traffic volume is growing so fast that five million departures in 1990 could become 20 million in 2,000, with 40 instead of 30

within nine years be presenting a thumb print, eye print or voice print to ticketing and check-in staff to book domestic and overseas flights, it was said yesterday (Nick Nuttall writes). Technologists at British Airways are plotting the demise of the traditional methods of issuing tickets and boarding cards as part of plans to streamline operations, improve customer service and increase airline security.

On take-off, passengers may also be able to "flick" through electronic brochures on computer screens of destination hotels, entertainment centres or shops with special offers. They are some of the developments being studied by staff at BA's emerging technologies group, which is examining pattern-imaging and information technologies under research by companies and

Officers

Unpopular counties offered as sacrifice to avoid abolition

By Douglas Broom, local government correspondent

AVON, Cleveland and Hum- The disclosure came as dele- branches are being chopped berside may be "sacrificed" by Conservative local government leaders to avoid the wholesale abolition of county government in England and

Senior figures in the Association of County Councils utive of Norfolk and chairman confirmed yesterday that they of the Association of County would be prepared to see unpopular counties scrapped to appease demands for local government reform. The offer would be made to whichever party wins the next election. Labour is already committed to creating a single tier of local government but has not made it clear yet whether the counties or the districts will be

County council leaders hope that, by offering "sacri-ficial victims", they can en-sure that it is the districts and not themselves which are scrapped. "If the price of retaining county government was the loss of Avon, Humberside and Cleveland, we would be prepared to pay it," one senior source said.

Cleveland is considered the east unpopular and the most defendable, but senior members of the association accept that it would be hard to argue for the retention of Avon and Humberside, which are deeply government is withering on unpopular with local people. the vine, as its roots and

gates at the association's an- off." nual conference in Cheltenattack on district councils, which have campaigned for the abolition of the counties.

Barry Capon, chief exec-Chief Executives, said it was the districts that should be abolished in the name of efficiency and cost effectiveness. "The case for abolishing the present Shire district councils and replacing them with something larger and more cost effective is a great deal stronger than any case abolishing counties."

challenge those who said that the existing system of local government needed to be reformed. "The present structure may not be ideal, but counties have an excellent track record of service. Anyone proposing to remove us must make the case that the alternative is likely to be

The debate about local government reform was distracting attention from the continuing erosion of the independence of councils by the government, he said. "Local

Robert Adcock, chief execlaunched a counter utive of Essex, called for an independent committee of enquiry into local government contemplated. "The campaign for the abolition of county councils by the Association of service to local government and the communities that it serves. A committee of enquiry must be established before any further major reorganisation takes place. We simply cannot afford the continued creation and abolition of authorities that has

> John Chatfield, chairman of the county councils' associhad resisted joining the public debate over reform until now because they felt that it was illinformed and irresponsible. The time had now come. however, to mount a strong defence of counties, which commanded the affection and the loyalty of the communities served and provided good value for money.

Tony Hart, leader of Kent county council, told delegates: "We have assumed, rather arrogantly, that we have a divine right to exist. Well we

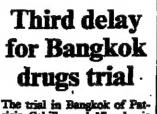


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The trial in Bangkok of Patricia Cahill, aged 17, who is accused of attempting to traffic heroin, was postponed yesterday for the third time in a month because prosecution witnesses failed to attend the juvenile court to testify against her (Neil Kelly writes).

Her parents, Patrick and Frances Cahill, of Birmingham, had flown to Bangkok for the hearing. They said that they were angry and upset and did not know whether they would be able to stay in Thuiland for new bearings arranged for November 22

Royal broadcast

The Oucen's Christmas television broadcast this year will again be produced by Sir ingham Palace said yesterday. The broadcast will be shown by the BBC and ITV at 3pm

Icke pays up

The former television sports commentator and Green party spokesman David Icke has ended a protest against the poil tax by paying his £342 bill from Medina borough council on the Isle of Wight.

Christmas plea

Up to 1,800 people face Christmas on the streets because the charity that houses and feeds them cannot find a venue. Crisis, formerly Crisis at Christmas, yesterday appealed for a large building



He wanted to counter the impression that could have been created by some newspaper and television reports of evidence from a detective who said that he believed the bomb was in an unaccompanied suitcase travelling on the Frankfurt-London leg of

Mr Hardie said: "Yesterday's [Monday's] evidence was simply that the bomb suitcase had been 'introduced' on to the Frankfurt-London stage of the flight. Whether it actually originated at Frankfurt or got on to Flight 103A (the Frankfurt-London leg) having come from another place is really a matter of speculation.

impression should not be left that the Crown has led evidence indicating that the bomb was planted in Germany, as some of the headlines suggest. Our position is simply that the suitcase introduced on to Flight 103 via 103A, and its ultimate origin is not a matter

THE bomb that blew up Pan certainly at this stage." The inquiry then heard from Mr Michael Sullivan, a supervisor at Heathrow with was told yesterday. Where it Alert, Pan Am's security comdid originate was a matter not pany. He was positive he had net been given a warning before the disaster in December 1988 to look out for bombs concealed in a Toshiba radio cassette. The enquiry has been told that a warning was issued after police raids in West Germany on addresses of members of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine General Command.

The inquiry continues today.

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study **Piper** report By KERRY GILL SCOTLAND's two law officers, the Lord Advocate and the Solicitor-General, could decide by the new year whether to bring a prosecution against Occidental, operators of the Piper Alpha platform, it emerged yesterday. Lord Fraser of Carmyllic, the Lord Advocate, who is Scotland's senior law officer, will spend the next few weeks sifting through Lord Cullen's report on the Piper Alpha disaster with Alan Rodger, the Solicitor-General, aided by Crown counsel. The Crown will have to decide if there is a prima-facie case to answer and whether a charge would stand up in a court of law. Lord Cullen's report, published on Monday after the 13-

month public inquiry, was strongly critical of Occidental. He pointed to inadequate safety training, platform mangement complacence and said the company had failed to protect its workforce properly. Last night Occidental still refused to respond to the report. In a statement the company said: "Despite media pressure to do so Occidental does not believe that it is constructive to respond piece by piece to criticism." The company, however, added that it was saddened by,

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and disagreed with, the interpretation placed by Lord Cullen upon the actions during the disaster of the duty offshore installation manager. Colin Seton, who was among those killed.

The statement recorded Occidental's deep regret that one of its platforms had been the cause of so much suffering, but said that the company had tried to deal with the consequences in a humane and responsible way.

Last night union leaders said that Lord Cullen's report was an indictment of the whole North Sea industry.

Roger Spiller, North Sea representatives of the Manufacturing Science and Finance union, said: "What concerns me is that all the attention is going to be thrown on Occi-dental because of the condemostion in the report. The same spotlight could be turned on most of the oil companies in the North Sea and reveal Aperoper which workers in Aberocce which the told that relatives of the 167 people killed on the Piper Alpha, some MPs and union leaders

prosecution of Occidental. The meeting was called by the offshore industry liaison committee, which has been and conditions and trade union recognition on all offshore installations. It has suspended its wildcat strikes to



Origin of Pan Am bomb stays secret

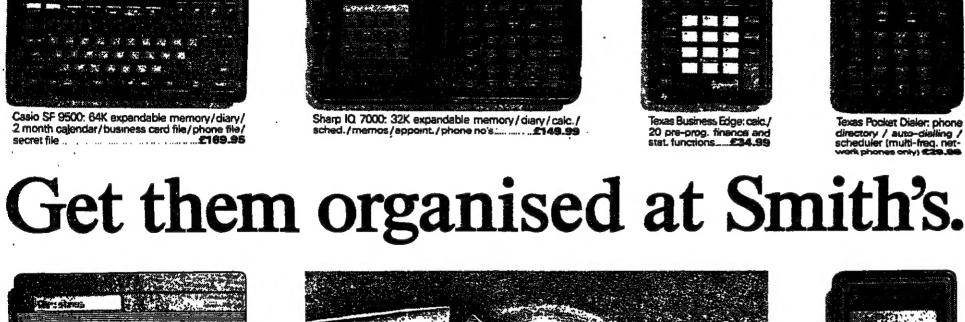
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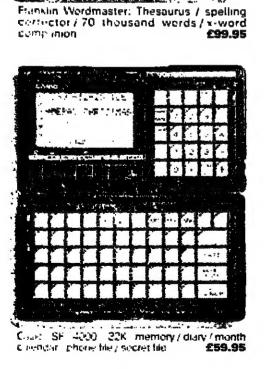
Flight 103 before joining the Pan Am jumbo at Heathrow.

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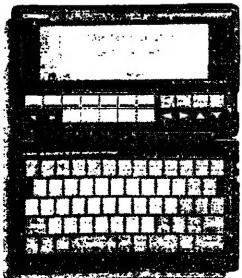
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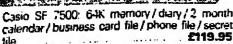
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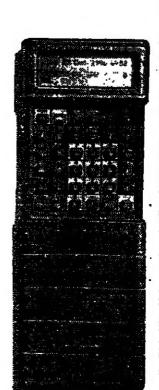


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> are not met managers may lose performance-related pay and may have to return waiting list money. about politicians' motives. "It may be a pre-election ploy so that they can go to the polls waving banners saying 'no waiting lists," said Robert Sells, a transplant surgeon at the Royal Liverpool hospital who has been instrumental in reducing surgery lists.

director, said.
The issue of waiting lists is

high on the political agenda and the national health ser-

vice management board has made it clear that if targets

Mersey shows the way in cutting hospital waiting

> A success story in reducing waiting lists for patients is told by Jill Sherman

Mersey's system is vigor-ously endorsed by the re-gion's chairman, Sir Donald Wilson, who has made waiting lists his top priority for six years. He and his executive team set rigorous targets for managers throughout the re-gion. This year the target is for hobody to be waiting more than 18 months for treatment and 13 weeks for an outpatient appointment. Those failing to meet targets get short shrift from Sir Donald at the district review

meetings.
A simple carrot-and-stick approach has been adopted. The region matches any money allocated nationally for the waiting list fund and local managers bid for a share. The best schemes are chosen, but if managers fail to achieve the extra number of operations agreed, some money is taken back.

chart the progress of each waiting list initiative on a computer by feeding in information on individual consultants' operating lists every month. If the numbers of operations start to fall behind agreed targets, ques-tions are asked of managers and doctors until the num-

bers match up. on the lists - those who have died, had their operation at another hospital or choose not to have it - have been removed. In some specialties that has removed up to 20 per cent of the list.

"Some people have been given successive appoint-ments, have refused to come in, but still want to be on the waiting list," Mr David Young, unit general manager at Leighton hospital, Crewe,

surgery has been asked in five times and now he says he will let me know when he wants

Innovative schemes have been adopted in the region. At Leighton hospital, mangers won £21,000 to buy three cystocsopes - diagnos-tic equipment to detect bladder diseases. They allow patients to be examined discharged in hours instead of having to be admitted. Urologists claim that the equipment has saved £1,200 in sterilising fluids and allowed 650 extra patients to be treated this year

At the Royal Liverpool hospital, Mr Sells has masterminded a programmed sur-gical unit, which has reduced the time that patients have to stay in hospital. The 25-bed five-day unit now treats half the surgical patients seen at the hospital. "It provides a fast-stream service for people with simple problems who can be home within two or three days," Mr Sells said.



The average stay is 1.9 days, against 7.6 days in the main

The unit has released £160,000 in staff savings and reduced waiting lists by 30 per cent in two years. Total numbers of patients waiting for treatment during the same period have fallen from 3,031 to 2,173, despite a 2 per cent increase in admissions. At Warrington district gen-

clear the list of 70 patients GPs have also played their part in cutting lists. Dr Geoff Hackett, of Holmes Chapel health centre, employs a physiotherapist in his surgery

eral hospital, patients needing vasectomies are now

being treated on Saturdays

and each has been given an

appointment date and time.

Managers there expect to

instead of referring patients to hospitals. Hospital referexpensive and involve 50 per cent more drug prescriptions, he says. However, his surgery is now being inundated with referrals from other GPs and from consultants who realise that their patients will be treated quicker if they send them to the GP surgery.
Hospitals with short wait-

ing lists are also being inundated with new referrals and for the first time in many years Mersey's in-patient lists are beginning to rise. Between July and September the numbers waiting rose from 30,732 to 31,010, though day cases fell from 15,731 to 14,762. Mr McKeever says there has been a 6 per cent rise in referrals in the past 12 months, although it is unclear run even faster."

Doctors in the region claim David Cade, general surgeon at Leighton hospital, said: "If you have better waiting lists you attract referrals. If you attract referrals you get bigger waiting lists, so you have to

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evaporation; but why, he reasons, should they receive more than their due share?

Rural GPs will get pay boost

COUNTRY doctors are to get a pay boost in recognition of the special demands of general practice in rural areas, Virginia Bottomley, the health min-

ister, announced yesterday.

About 8,500 rural practitioners stand to benefit from the new revised payments scheme, which comes into effect on April 1 next year. Mrs Bottomley said it was good news for GPs who work in a truly rural environment.

scheme, which has not been changed for over 16 years, and removes anomalies which have led to some GPs in fairly urban areas being eligible for payments. Some areas which were rural have become more densely populated and, conversely, other urban areas now

A British Medical Assocition spokesman said: "This is not new money, but a redistribution from elsewher in general practice. If a rural GP gains, someone else somewhere else will lose."



Mothers in benefit challenge

TWO mothers made a challenge in the Court of Appeal yesterday against the refusal of the social security department

applied for help so that she could work part-time, and the other was on a vocational training course. They allege sex discrimination and say that the department's stance on supplementary benefit paynents left them poorer than if they had stayed at home.

Patricia Cresswell, aged 38 of Exeter, and Sonia Jackson aged 27, of London, asked the court to overturn social security rulings that prevented them deducting child-care costs from their income when

Richard Drabble, for the women, said that he would argue that the British benefit rules broke two binding EC directives aimed at ensuring equal access for both sexes to social security benefits and vocational training. As a result, mothers seeking vocational training would be unfairly financially penalised. He hoped to have the cases referred to the European Court of Justice.

David Pannick, for the so cial security department's chief adjudication officer, said that neither the equal treatment directive nor the social security directive was relevan to the women's cases, and he opposed the use of the appeal court's discretion to refer the case to the European court.

Doors closed to emergency cases

ren, Great Ormond Street, is are already refusing some turning away emergency pa- emergency admissions tients because it does not have because there are no beds or hospital managers said yes-

The hospital, which shut the Great Ormond Street is not famous 10-bed Peter Pan ward at the beginning of this month, has closed 97 beds in the last about £250,000 from the latest three years, despite increasing the number of patients treated. In addition, 30 beds have been closed at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital for Children, in the same special health

Sir Anthony Tippett, the hospital's general manager, prompted by a fall in income from private Kuwaiti patients, were likely to lead to more

THE Hospital for Sick Child-patients on waiting lists. "We facilities," he said. These patients are usually referred to terday (Jill Sherman writes). other hospitals, although

always told where they end up. Sir Anthony hopes to save measures, which include freezing all posts, except essential clinical ones, for three months. He is pressing the health department to increase its allocation next year

by £1.5 million. Money cannot be trans ferred from the Wishi Appeal which raised £42 million for a new cardiac wing, because this was earmarked as capital for redevelopment.

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(CAN YOU THIRK OF A BETTER TESTIMONIAL FROM A MOTORING MAGAZINE? WE CAN'T.)

Why run an advertisement when the motoring press is doing the job for you?

The £16,110 Alfa Romeo 164 2.0 Twin Spark won a rapturous review in a recent article in 'What Car?' which tested five executive cars, four of which fell within the two litre tax bracket.

The cars included the new Peugeot 605 SRi, as well as a Ford Granada 2.0i Ghia, a Rover 820e and a Volvo 740 GLT.

Even in introducing this line-up, the magazine was unequivocal about the Alfa Romeo. (Since this space has been paid for but the magazine article wasn't, you will probably be more impressed if you read their words.)

'Fabulous 164 body now comes with Twin

'While the Volvo has pace, it has little else going for it, hence its third placing. The Rover . . . ultimately lacks the Alfa's pure brio and charm.

Handling and ride.

'Why does the 605 give best to the Alfa 164? The fluid way (the 164) strings bends together, its grip, balance and eager turn-in make it a rewarding machine for the keen driver.

'(The Rover's) steering remains light and rather dead, neither can it cope with bumps encountered in mid-bend.

'The Ford feels a bit squashy and roly-poly, underdamped even, if asked to cover the ground briskly. Compared with its rivals, the (Volvo) 740 feels a decade out of date. It's reactions are why this shouldn't be true of the smaller-engined car, and just look at those servicing times - 12,000 miles between them.

'Third place goes to the Volvo because it's just too expensive to buy in this company.

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'The 605's problem is the Alfa 164, a car which has already done wonders for Alfa's image.

'In Twin Spark Lusso guise, the Alfa's a cracker: fast, responsive, fine-handling, fluid, a car to bring out the best in a driver as it flows along the road. And crucially, it's pleasurable for its passengers, too.

'It's an object of desire, a car to covet, the one out of the five you'd most want to see in your driveway. And all for the price, or thereabouts, of a Granada Ghia, and considerably less than a Volvo 740 GLT.

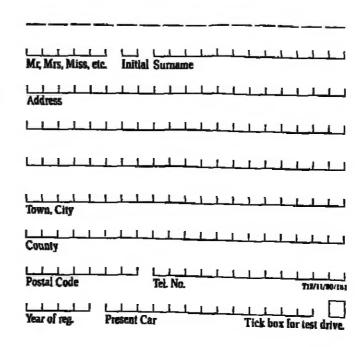
'Can you think of a better 2.0 litre executive car? We can't.'

For the record, the 164 2.0 Twin Spark has power steering, electric windows and door mirrors, stereo radio cassette and central locking as standard, as well as an ABS option, all for £16,110.* The £18,110,* 164 2.0 Twin Spark Lusso also has ABS, an electric sunroof and alloy wheels as standard, as well as air conditioning and leather seats as options.

In another comparative test, What Car? magazine gave top marks to the Twin Spark's larger engined brother: the £22,940,* 143 mph Alfa Romeo 164 3.0 V6.

'When it comes down to it the 164 Lusso offers such terrific value for money that the decision couldn't go any other way. It's exceptionally well specified, has bags of performance from what is one of the best engines currently available in any car on the market, and it looks sensational'

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Spark engine from the smaller Alfa 75. The Non-Lusso model looks terrific value,

'As the name suggests, there are two spark plugs per cylinder, but the engine also has variable inlet valve timing. Theoretically, it's a very efficient engine and on paper the results are impressive: 148 bbp from a non-turbo charged 2.0 litre four is good going. Against the Peugeot's 122 bbp eight valve engine, the Alfa Romeo 164 is clearly a long way ahead on power.

PERFORMANCE AND ECONOMY.

'Overall, the Alfa sparkles above the others here. The difference is that it has verve and spirit and really revels in being driven hard.

'(The Granada's) engine is noisy and thrashy in the extreme and has absolutely no enthusiasm for hard work.

'Overall the 605 performs pleasantly. Yet there's something missing in its armoury.

'It does feel like a big, heavy car endowed with a small and relatively under-powered engine.

slow and stolid, and the body rolls, squirms and shudders through the bends and over the bumps as though connected only distantly to the wheels.

QUALITY AND EQUIPMENT.

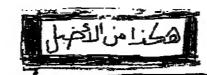
'Quality, in the sense used here, means more than just build integrity. It also encompasses quality of materials, and how effectively they are used in the aesthetic sense. Judged accordingly, the Alfa Romeo and the Rover vie for first place. Both have deep, lustrous paintwork, expensive-looking and feeling plastics inside, high-quality seat fabrics and decent carpets. Compared with these two, the Peugeot doesn't quite make the grade.

'(The Granada's) rear bumper shakes when you shut the boot, the strip of lake wood across the facia is a woeful misjudgement and it's all starting to look a touch messy, a shade dated.

'Dated certainly describes the Volvo.

SERVICING AND COSTS.

'In 3.0 litre form, the well-built 164's... secondhand values are strong. There's no reason



Howe condemns Thatcher stance on EC

personal statement to a packed Commons said that it was a quarter of century since he had spoken from the back benches.

Fortunately, because he had been leader of the House for the past year he had been reminded of the generosity and tolerance of the House. He hoped that he might call on that as he offered the House a statement about his resignation from the government.

He said: It has been suggested, even by some of my right hon friends, that I decided to resign solely because of questions of style and not on matters of substance at all, indeed, if some of my former colleagues are to be believed, I must be the first minister in history to resign because he was in full agreement with government

The truth is that in many aspects of politics, style and substance complement each other, very often they are two sides of the

The prime minister and I have shared together something like 700 meetings of the cabinet or shadow cabinet over the last 18 years, some 400 hours along each other at more than 30 international summit meetings. For both of us, I suspect, that is a pretty daunting record.

The House might well feel that something more than simple matters of style would be necessary to rupture such a well tried relation-

It was, indeed, a privilege to serve as the prime minister's first Chancellor of the Exchequer, to share in the transformation of our industrial relations scene, to help the launch of our free market programme, commencing with the abolition of exchange-rate controls and to achieve such substantial successes against inflation, getting it down within four years from 22 to 4 per cent upon the basis of strict monetary discipline involving the medium-term finan-

cial stategy. Not one of our many achievements would have been possible without the courage and leadership of the prime minister. If I may say so, they possibly derived some little benefit from the presence of a chanccellor of the exchequer who was not exactly a wet himself,

It was a great honour to serve for six years as foreign and Commonwealth secretary and share with her in some notable achievements in the European Community from Fontaineblesu to the Single European Act.

But it was as we moved on to consider the crucial monetary issue in the European context that I have come to feel increasing by Nigel Lawson, the former chance just over 12 months ago.
Like him, I concluded at least five years back that the conduct of our policy against inflation could no longer rest solely on attempts to measure and control domestic money supply.

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We had no doubt that we should be helped in that battle and indeed in other respects by joining the exchange-rate mechanism of the European monetary system.

There was or should have been nothing novel about joining the ERM. It has been a long-standing commitment and we found for a quarter of a century after the second world war that the very similar Bretton Woods regime did serve as a useful discipline. Now, as the prime minister has acknowledged two weeks ago, our entry into the exchange-rate mechanism can be seen as an extra

discipline for getting down infla-

But it must be said that this important practical conclusion has only been achieved at the cost of substantial damage to her own administration and, more serious still, to its inflation achievement.

As Mr Lawson has explained the real tragedy is that we did not join the exchange-rate mechanism at least five years ago. That was, as he also made clear, not for want of trying. Indeed, the so-called Madrid conditions came into existence only after the then chan-cellor and myself as foreign secretary made it clear that we could not continue in office unless a specific commitment to join the FRM was made.

As the House will no doubt have observed, neither member of that particiar partnership now remains in office. Rather, our successor as chancellor has had to devote a great deal of his very considerable talent demonstrating exactly how those Madrid conditions have been attained so as to make it possible to fulfil the commitment whose achievement has long been in the national interest.

It is now, alas, impossible to resist the conclusion that today's higher rate of inflation could well have been avoided had the question of ERM membership been properly considered and resolved

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at a much earlier stage. There are, I fear, developing grounds for similar axieties over the handling, not just at and after the Rome summit, of the wider much more open question of EMU.

Let me make clear certain important points on which I have no disagreement with Mrs Thatcher. I do not regard the Delors report as some kind of sacred text which has to be accepted or rejected on the nod. But it is an important working document. But, as I have often made clear, it is seriously deficient in significant respects. I do not regard the Italian sidency's management of the Rome summit as a model of its kind. Far from it. It was much the same, as the prime minister will recall, in Milan some five years

I do not regard it in any sense wrong for Britain to make criticism of that kind, plainly and courteously, nor in any sense wrong for us to do so if necessary

nave, like the prime minister and one to have any illusions on that

But it is crucially important that ments on a basis of a clear understanding of the true relation-ship between this country, the Community and our Community

And it is here I fear that the prime minister increasingly risks leading berself and other astray in matters of substance as well as

As long ago as 1962 it was Lord Stockton, formerly Harold Macmillan, who first put the central point clearly. He argued that we had to place and keep ourselves within the Community. He saw it as essential then as it is today not to cut ourselves off from the realties of power, not to retreat into a ghetto of sentimentality

The differences between Sir Geoffrey Howe and the prime minister which led to his resignation as deputy prime minister 12 days ago were spelt out in detail yesterday when he condemned Margaret Thatcher for her attitude to Europe

about our past and so diminish our control over our own destiny

in the future. The pity is that the Macmillan view had not been perceived more clearly a decade before in the Fifties. It would have spared so many of the struggles of the past 20 years had we been in the nmunity from the outset, had we been ready, in the much too simple phrase, to surrender some sovereighty at a much earlier

Had we been in from the start we should have had more not less influence over the Europe in which we live today. We should pever forget the lesson of that isolation, of being on the outside looking in, for the conduct of today's affairs.

We have done best when we have seen the Community not as a static entity to be reisted and contained, but as an active process which we can shape often decisively provided we allow ourselves to be fully engaged in it with confidence and enthusiasm and in good faith.

We must at all costs avoid presenting ourselves yet again with an over-simplified choice, a false antithesis, a bogus dilemm between one alternative starkly labelled "co-operation between independent sovereign states" and a second equally crudely labelled alternative "a centralised federal super-state" as if there were no middle way in between.

We commit a serious error if we think always in terms of surrendering sovereignty and seek to stand pat for all time on a given deal by proclaiming, as the prime minister did two weeks ago, that we have surrendered enough. The European enterprise is not and should not be seen like that, as some kind of zero sum gain.

Sir Winston Churchill put it much more positively 40 years ago when he said: "Is it not possible and not less agreeable to regard this sacrifice or merger of national sovereignty as the gradual assumption by all the nations con-cerned of that larger sovereignty which can alone protect their diverse and distinctive customs and characeristics and their national traditions?"

tary policy.

Asked if we would veto any

I find Winston Churchill's perception a good deal more convincing and encouraging for the interests of our nation than the nightmare image sometimes con-jured up by the prime minister who sometimes seems to look out on a Continent that is positively teeming with ill intentioned people scheming, in her words, to extinguish democracy, to dissolve our national identity, to lead us throught the back door into a federal Europe

What kind of vision is that for our business people who trade there each day, for our financiers who seek to make London the money capital of Europe, or for all the young people of today? These concerns are especially important as we approach the crucially important topic of EMU. We must be positively and centrally in-volved in this debate and not fearfully and negatively detached. The cost of disengagement here could be very serious indeed.

There is talk of an emergence of a single currency for Europe. I agree there are many difficulties about the concept, both economically and politically and none of us wants the imposition of a single

But that is not the real risk. The 11 others cannot impose their solution on the twelth country against its will. But they can go head without us. The risk is not imposition but isolation. The real threat is leaving ourselves with no say in the monetary arrangements that the rest of Europe chooses for itself, with Britain once again scrambling to join the club later after the rules have been set and after power has ben distributed by others to our disadvantage. That would be the worst possible

It is to avoid just that outcome, to find a compromise acceptable in the government and sellable in Europe that the chancellor has put forward his hard-ecu proposal. I have supported the hard-ecu plan, but after Rome and after the prime minister's comments two weeks ago there is grave danger that the hard ecu is beoming untenable.

Two things have happened. She has appeared to rule out from the start any compromise at any stage

which all the other 11 countries believe to be part of EMU: a single currency or a fixed exchange rate, a central bank or common mone-

arrangement which jeopardised the pound sterling, she replied simply "yes". That statement means not that we can block EMU but that they can go ahead without us. Is that a position likely to ensure that we hold and retain a position of influence in this vital chate? I fear not.

Rather, to do so, we must take care not to rule in or rule out any one solution absolutely. We must be seen to be part of the same negotiations. A second thing has happened that I fear is even more disturbing. Reporting to this House, the prime minister almost casually remarked that she did not think many people would want to use the hard ecu anyway, even as a common currency let alone as a

It was remarkable, indeed it was tragic, to hear the prime minister dismiss with such personalised incredulity the very idea that the hard-ecu proposal might find growing favour among the people of Europe just as it was extraordinary to hear her assert that the whole idea of EMU might be open for consideration only by future

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generations. Those future generations are with us today.

How on earth are the chancellor and the governor of the Bank of England, commending the hard ecu as they strive to do, to be taken as serious participants in the debate against that kind of back-ground noise?

I believe that both the chancellor and the governor are cricket enthusiasts, so I hope there is no monopoly of cricketing metaphors. It is rather like sending your opening batsmen to the crease only for them to find the moment that the first balls are howled that their bats have been broken before the game by the team captain. The point is more sharply put

by a British businessman trading in Brussels and elsewhere who wrote to me saying that people throughout Europe see our prime

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passionate "no, no, no" much more clearly than the content of carefully worded formal texts. It is too easy for people to believe that we all share her attitude, for why else, he asks, has she been our prime minister for so long. This, my correspondent concluded, is a desperately serious situation for

our country Sadly, I have to seree. The tragedy is - and it is for me personally, for my party, for our whole people, for the prime minster herself a very real tragedy that the prime minister's perceived animade towards Europe is running increasingly scrious risks for the future of our nation. It risk minimising our influence and maximising our chances of being

once again shut out. We have paid heavily in the past for late starts and squandered opportunities in Europe. We dare not let that happen again. If we detach ourselves completely as a party or as a mation from the middle ground of Europe, the effects will be incalculable and very hard ever to correct.

In my letter of resignation, which I tendered with the utmost sadness and dismay, I said that cabinet government is about trying to persuade one another from within. That was my commitment to government by persuasion, persuading colleagues and the

I have tried to do that as foreign secretary and since, but I realise now that the task has become futile, of trying to stretch the meaning of words beyond what was credible, of trying to pretend there was a common policy when every step forward risked being subverted by some casual comment or impulsive answer.

The conflict of loyalty is loyalty to the prime minister - and after more than two decades together that instinct of loyalty is still very real - and the loyalty to what I perceive to be the true interests of this nation.

That conflict of loyalty has become all too great. I no longer believe it is possible to resolve that conflict from within this government. That is why I have resigned.

In doing so I have done what I believe to be right for my party and my country. The time has come for others to consider their response to the tragic conflict of loyalty with which I have myself wrestled for perhaps too long.

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Rear seat belts 'should be enforced'

MINISTERS are being urged by an all-party group of MPs to make compulsory the use of rear seat belts by car and taxi passengers. They believe that such a measure would save 80 lives and avoid 1,000 serious injuries in its first year.

The government will be asked to act during a Commons debate on road safety on Friday. An early day motion has been signed by 112 MPs, and the parliamentary advisory council for transport safety has written to Christopher Chope, the roads and traffic minister. In its letter, the advisory council says that there is widespread support for the measure. A Gallup survey commissioned this year indicated support from 82 per cent of those questioned.

Boundary review

The boundary commission for England and Wales intends to start its general review of parliamentary constituency boundaries early next year. Angela Rumbold, Home Office minister, announced in a Commons written reply. The commission is required to report between 1993 and 1998.

Docklands rail study

London Transport and the London Docklands Development Corporation are to carry out a further study of the case for extending the rail network through the Royal Docks in east London to Woolwich and Thamesmead on the Kent boundary, Roger Freeman, public transport min-ister, said in a written reply.

Two million more at work

There are nearly two million more people at work than when the government came to oftice 11 years ago, Michael Howard, the employment secre-tary, said at question time. The workforce in June was 27,346,000, compared with 25,365,000 in June 1979.

Coalmining compensation

A bill to improve arrangements for compensation for property damaged by coalmining subsidence may be tabled by the government this session, even though it was not mentioned in the Queen's Speech, Tony Baldry, energy minister, said. Parliament today

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Bureaucratic pitfalls blight the Russian road to free travel

would-be travellers and emigrants will probably have to wait until next year at the earliest even to lodge their applications for a passport. The much-publicised bill on emigration, which was originally promised for last summer, then for the first weeks of the autumn parliamentary session, has run into difficulties in committee and is unlikely to be ready before next month, or even the

Passage of the bill is the sole condition that Moscow must meet in order to qualify for mostfavoured nation status in trade with the United States and it had been treated as a matter of urgency by the Soviet leadership. During the Washington summit in June, the Soviet foreign minister, Eduard Shevardnadze, promised

Since then, however, priority has been given to other legislation. suggesting that the Soviet desire for most-favoured nation status has waned or that the bill faces opposition, or both.

The autumn parliamentary timetable has given precedence to bills designed to underpin the transition to a market economy and limit as far as possible, the accelerating social and economic disorder. The emigration law has had to take second place. At the same time, Moscow may well have concluded that most-favoured nation status will not by itself solve the country's foreign trade problems, nor will it make Soviet goods more competitive on

the American market. The main reasons for the delay. however, lie with the strength of Opposition from the military, the KGB and other state sectors is hindering the passage of a key emigration law. Mary Dejevsky reports from Moscow on what is at stake

within parts of the Soviet establishment and the sheer difficulty of drafting legislation that undoes so many Soviet bureaucratic assumptions. Opposition comes, predictably, from sections of the military and the KGB, as well as from parts of the educa-tional establishment and from the visa office, OVIR, which has to process and issue the passports.

One of the big worries of the military concerns conscription. Even though resistance to the callup this year has rendered it almost

opposition to free emigration meaningless in some non-Slav republics, conscription is likely to remain the chief source of recruits for some time. The planned military reform is expected to include making the Soviet army entirely professional, but this is unlikely to happen quickly because of the cost.

In the meantime, the military wants to prevent emigration providing an escape route for conscripts. A proposal that may be adopted would remove the right of 17-year-old males to travel abroad, that is a year before they

many would regard that as too generous and could insist that the limit be set much earlier.

The question of state secrets is a

concern both of the military and the KGB and access to secrets has epeatedly been used as a reason for refusing visas to Jewish applicants even if they have close relatives living abroad. The Soviet parliamentary committee on human rights has campaigned for a legal definition of state secrets and for travel restrictions to be notified to employees engaged in classified work and for the restrictions to be limited to, say, five years after leaving that employment. These proposals are said to be regarded in security circles as too liberal and there is apparently resistance to the idea of defining what constitutes a state secret -

become liable for call-up. But that in itself is part of the secret,

Property rights are another area of contention. At present, emigrants are allowed to own nothing in the Soviet Union and all financial responsibilities must be discharged before emigration. This is why dependents have to give permission before a would-be emigrant may leave.

The passport authorities, transport services and educational establishments are all concerned about the emigration law, too. The passport office says that present staffing levels, paper supplies and printing facilities will not suffice to process even half the estimated number of passports that will be required in the first year.

Universities and research stitutes fear that the incipient brain drain will become a flood.

faculty members may oppose liberalisation because they harbour resentment about their own

lost opportunities. More liberal members of the three committees currently dealing with the emigration bill dismiss many of the objections as unnecessary. They argue that limited foreign demand will stem the brain drain and that greater academic interchange will only

help the Soviet Union. While the slow passage of the emigration bill is frustrating miltions of would-be Soviet travellers, sections of the Soviet establishment are probably not the only ones hoping that the process can be strung out even longer. Western consulates are steeling themselves for the onslaught of visa seekers.

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Strikes deal blow to Mazowiecki bid for workers' vote

From Roger Boyes in Warsaw

TRAFFIC yelped and howled like abandoned dogs in Polish cities yesterday as bus drivers sounded their horns and set off sirens to signal their determination to stage a national strike before the

The bus drivers' protest already a full-blown strike in Cracow - is only one of many as industrial and public service workers try to squeeze wage increases or subsidies from the government before Poles vote for a new president on November 25. The dockers' strike ultimatum runs out on November 19.

Fishermen are preparing to pull up their nets next week. Coal miners, who are de-manding a 19 per cent wage rise and a reform of the pits, are threatening a strike for November 20. A referendum later this week will determine whether the miners will refuse to work.

The bus and tram drivers say that if the government does not react — the workers want budget subsidies for the various transport companies - there will be a two-hour. strike on Friday and a 24-hour ilous for our fragile democra-

there is still no concession. there will be a national transport strike. Cracow drivers have seized the initiative already and most offices and factories were paralysed during the morning shift.

The finance minister is not Batman," treasury representatives told a bus drivers' delegation. "Nor is he made of money. If he caves in to you then he will have to pay the miners and the dockers, and everybody else in the queue," The strike wave is embarrassing the prime minister, Tadeusz Mazowiecki, as he enters the last ten days of the campaign. His main rival is Lech Walesa, the Solidarity chairman, who seems sure of the worker vote. Mr Walesa is silent, although the strikers are being organised by his union

"It's not a coincidence that various groups are escalating their pay demands in the runup to the election," Mr Mazowiecki told a rally in the upper Silesian city of Zabrze. "Is it right to use the strike weapon at this time?" Strikes during this politically in-flamed period could be "perstrike on November 20. If cy." And there was something

wrong about "strikes planned by a trade union whose apparatus is working for one of the presidential candidates.

The strikes aim at the heart

of the government's anti-infla-

tion policy. The workers are challenging the Mazowiecki line of imposing tax penalties on companies that give in to excessive wage demands. Economists agree if there is another spiral of hyper-inflation, brought under control this year by the monetarist minister, Leszek Balcerowicz, then the International Monetary Fund-backed plan to market policies will be thrown

The government is expected to patch up agreements with some strikers (the bus drivers of Cracow and Gdansk will probably reach a settlement next week) but will not give in across the board. Mr Mazowiecki needs to capture at least part of the worker vote to stand a chance on November 25. He is trailing Mr Walesa by 18 per cent, but surrendering a key part of his financial programme is a high and probably unacceptable



Riot aftermath: a burnt-out Trabaut car in an east Berlin street yesterday after fighting between police and squatters on Monday night

German match off as violence grows

From Anne McElvoy in Berlin

THE last football match be- led them to call off the match. tween East and West Germany, due to be held in Leipzig later this month, has been cancelled amid fears of crowd violence and inadequate safety provisions.

Officials in the city said that conditions at the football ground combined with an "atmosphere of violence" has

"This is not a capitulation before hooliganism," a spokesman for the club FC Leipzig said, "It is simply an inevitable result of an unusual security situation." The decision comes after an

escalation in soccer rioting in eastern Germany. At a match last month in Leipzig, police shot dead a supporter, aged 18, as fans rampaged through the city and attacked police.

Officials from the office of Helmut Kohl, the chancellor, are meeting football officials this week to discuss Germany's worsening soccer violence

In the eastern Berlin districts of Friedrichshain and Lichtenberg, police battled with squatters on Monday night after an attempt to evict them from tenement buildings they had occupied. Squatters

hurled petrol bombs, bricks and bars from behind barricades and police used water canoous and tear gas. Four policeman were "seriously wounded" and are in hospital and 133 others were injured.

The squatters, mainly from western Berlin and former West Germany, were ordered to leave again yesterday by policemen carrying mega- all-German parliame phones. They had earlier said middle of next year.

that an entire street had been booby trapped. Erich Patzold, Berlin's interior senator, said that police would employ "a tougher line" if the squatters refused to move out Senate sources yesterday

admitted to concern that the city's growing reputation for violence could prevent it from becoming the sear of government. The Social Democrator bonovery president, Willis Brandt, a former mayor of Berlin, said yesterday that the decision on whether to move the government from Bonn to Berlin should be taken by the

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conditions equal to those of their Flemish counterparts. Francophone teachers want all-German parliament by the their salaries to keep pace with those in Flanders as well as with inflation, and are determined to see that education cuts do not jeopardise Bel-

gium's teaching standards. Ministers and trade union leaders from Wallonia, Belgium's French-speaking southere half, hammered out a compromise over the weakend. The package promises to bring salaries closer to those of the more prosperous Flemish people. It also delays the introduction of cuts and offers teachers comfortable ways out of the profession when the

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From Peter Guilford

IN BRUSSELS

BELGIAN government at-

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cuts do arrive. The powerful trade unions behind the strike have called their supporters on to the streets again to exert maximum pressure on the French community's regional executive before it decides tomorrow. Tempers among teachers are high and support is still

French teachers believe they are the first serious victims of Belgium's experimental devolution of power. Wilfried Martens, the prime minister, is pushing the process through.

Control of education has

fallen to the Flemish "government" based in Ghent and to French-speaking "Community", but the power to pay teachers rests with the centre, with its hands still firmly on the purse-strings.

• Grant reling: British councils could face large unforeseen education costs, following a landmark ruling from the European Court of Justice, which implies that children of foreign nationals working in Britain could be entitled to a grant from the UK authorities if they wish to return to their home country

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and new policing methods. Britain linked to secret anti-Soviet network

By MICHAEL EVANS

AS ROME continues to be rocked by allegations that the Italian end of a secret Nato resistance network was used for domestic political purposes, an authoritative source confirmed that Britain had run its own "stay behind"

paramilitary groups.

They were formed as part of previously unknown Nato wartime contingency plan in the 1950s to sabotage any Soviet occupation of Europe. The resistance fighters were trained to mount guerrilla

attacks on Soviet forces. The British source said it was part of Nato planning. He did not know whether the British network still existed.

The recent revelations from Rome have been causing embarrassment in Nato because of allegations that the Italian covert groups had been activated in the 1970s to keep the Communists out of power,

Communist politicians are claiming that agents from the Italian secret intelligence service used the covert groups, intended only as "sleeper" teams to be activated in the event of a Soviet occupation, to carry out a bombing campaign in the 1970s. During this period there was a series of bombings and murders, perpetrated by neo-fascist groups. The worst was the 1980 bomb explosion at Bologna railway station, in which 85 people were killed and 200 injured.



Chevenement: France set up a network in the 1950s

attacks were intended to discredit communists and other left-wing politicians and to keep the Christian Democrat party in power.

The dirty political war in Italy, particularly the allega-tions from the left linking right-wing terror to the Christian Democrats, caught the rest of the alliance by surprise. Those who knew about the

covert groups emphasised that it was justified to make contingency plans for mounting guerrilla attacks on Soviet occupation forces. What they were anxious to avoid was any implication that the welltrained sabotage groups had any part to play in peacetime. Since the disclosure five weeks ago by Giulio Andreotti, the prime minister,

urity and intelligence matters, one senior British military source said he did not believe there was any link between Operation Gladio and rightwing terror attacks in the 1970s. "If the Italian stay behind' operation was being

with Nato," the source said. Jean-Pierre Chevenement the French defence minister said this week that France's network was established in the

early 1950s to plan for liaisons between a government-in-exile and an underground resistance in the event that the country was occupied by East He said France's section had remained dormant from

the time it was set up, until it was disbanded. A Paris newspaper, Libération, claimed yesterday that the French network was formally dissolved only after the disclosures from Rome; although the operation had been in a state of "clinical death" for

Similar paramilitary resistance groups also existed in Belgium, and were also said to

have been formed in Greece that Operation Gladio, the and The Netherlands. Moscow summons Rome party

From RICHARD BASSETT IN ROME

IN A move which has fuelled largest communist grouping in ship pact. Mr Gorbachev siga and Giulio Andreotti, the speculation that the Italian communist party may be considering merging with other left-wing parties, Achille Occhetto, its leader, was yesterday suddenly invited to Moscow to confer with President Gorbachev.

Signor Occhetto has tried to hold together Italy's principal opposition force, which recently voted to change its name to Party of the Democratic Left, at a time when communist ideology has been discarded throughout Europe.

Western Europe, and though denied access to government, it won more votes in 1984 than the ruling Christian Democrats. But since the fall of the Berlin Wall a year ago they have faced an identity crisis, torn between breaking decisively with marxism and remaining faithful to the old communist ideals

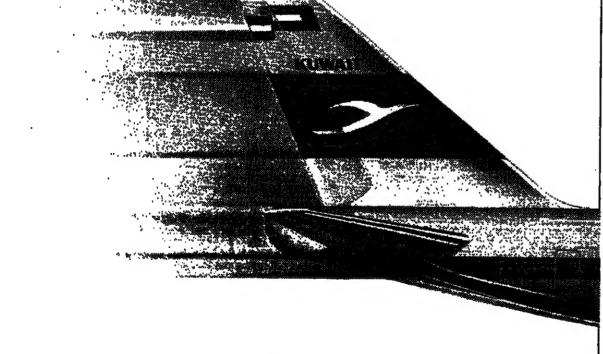
Signor Occhetto's meetings with Mr Gorbachev today and tomorrow take place ahead of the Soviet leader's weekend visit to Italy to sign economic The Italian party remain the accords and a bilateral friend-

personal prestige to Signor Occhetto's party a few months before elections are expected. President Gorbachev is

munist party source here, expected to chide Signor Occhetto for failing to take advantage of the Christian Democrats' discomfort caused by the revelations last week of the anti-communist undercover plot known as Operation Gladiator. Details of the plot continue to emerge, embarrassing President Cos-

clearly hopes to lend his prime minister. A realignment of the Italian left appears imminent, though it is not clear what form it will take. Despite Mr Gorbachev's

also, according to a commany commitments and worries, he still takes the flagship of European communism seriously enough to feel the need to confer at short notice with Signor Occhetto. In January, a special congress of the Italian party will be held in Rimini, where it is expected to agree to substantial changes not only to its symbolism, but also to



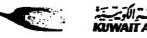
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However in Washington, a key Republican senator said that despite American rhetoric and shows of strength President Saddam still did not believe the US military threat, and that only a vote by the full Congress for a declaration of war could convince him of Ameri-

Joining the growing clamour from senior Democrats, Richard Lugar, the second-ranking Republican on the Senate foreign rela-tions committee, said Mr Bush had to state his goals clearly, then recall Congress and seek author-isation for whatever action he considered necessary.

This was "the most certain path to peace ... So long as Saddam Hussein and the rest of the world has any doubt about the unified the chances of miscalculation and tragic mistakes loom much too large," he said, adding that such a demonstration of national will would stop the "unravelling" of domestic and international support caused by Mr Bush's announcement last week that he was nearly doubling US military strength in the Gulf.

The assault exercise, a practice run for a much larger assault on Kuwait itself, would involve about 2,000 Marines and 30 landing and escort ships, backed by jets and helicopters. It would take place within days on the northern coast of Saudi Arabia, well within the range of Iraqi beach fortifications which include Chinese Silkworm missiles.

The Pentagon hopes the Iraqis will reveal lines of communication and radio frequencies as they react to the exercise, and that it will persuade President Saddam that he needs to keep an estimated 120,000 troops deployed along the coastline. By January there will be about 90,000 Marines deployed in the Gulf, backed by a huge fleet and formidable air power.

China 'pledges' not to veto use of force

From Michael Theodoulou in Nicosia

PRESIDENT Seddam Hussein of Iraq said he was willing to make sacrifices for peace and signalled he may be bowing to pressure after China reportedly told him it would not block a United Nations resolution authorising the use of force to liberate Kuwait.

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The Iraqi leader dispatched a top envoy to Rabat for talks with King Hassan; which suggested he might back Morocco's urgent call for a meeting of Arab leaders to avert war in the Gulf. The Iraqi news agency said Taha Yassin Ramadan, the first deputy prime minister, was carrying a letter from President Saddam to King

Iraq backed "any serious Arabaction at any level that would serve the Arab nation". Mr Ramadar Charles another Iraq deputy prime militavelled to Libya and Tunisia. He is scheduled in Algeria today.

Earlier, the Iraqi news agency quoted President Saddam as talling Qian Qichen, China's foreign minister, that he was ready to make sacrifices for peace in the Guif. It quoted him as saying that Iraq would be generous if the United States and other countries resorted to dialogue, instead of threatening military action. Soviet and Palestinian officials have said that President Saddam would withdraw from most of Kuwait in return for rich border oilfields and an outlet to the Gulf.

President Muburak of Egypt and his foreign minister flew to Libya for unscheduled talks on the Gulf and presumably on the summit, with Colonel Gadaffi. But Cairo, Damascus and Riyadh, the key Arab capitals lined up against Baghdad, remained silent about the summit, whose prospects hinge on their support.

Mr Qian told President Saddam that China would not veto any UN resolution endorsing the military option to drive Iraq out of Kuwait, Chinese officials and diplomats in the Gulf said. Mr Oian was the first minister from one of the five permanent members of the UN Security Council to visit Baghdad since the invasion of Kuwait Iraq had made it clear that it hoped to persuade China to veto any resolution endorsing the military option. Baghdad believed this would rob the United States and Britain of international legiti-

macy if they attacked Iraq. Despite official Iraqi statements that it had stockpiled enough food supplies to beat the embargo, there have been signs that sanctions are biting as rations of essential foodstuffs have been cut. Rice rations have been slashed by a third and wheat allowances re-

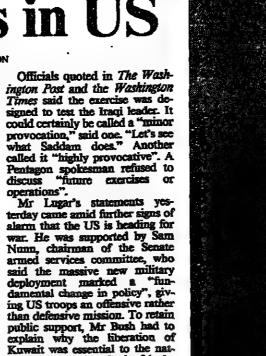
duced, Mohammed Mehdi Saleb the Iraqi trade minister, said rationing was working smoothly. He blamed shortages on poor distribution. "The country's stockpile of essential foodstuffs was big and is still good," he said.

King Hassan's call on Sunday for a summit has triggered a flurry of diplomatic activity in the Middle East, but until last night the proposal had been only welcomed by three of the 21-member League of Arab States: Mauritania, Sudan and the Palestine Liberation Organisation, all of whom are sympathetic to Bagh-dad. Jordan has welcomed the summit call, but has not stated so

President Saddam appears to have softened his position on the summit after insisting among other tough conditions, among would not stiend while foreign forces were in Saudi Arabia. Mr Ramadan said President Saddam would attend if his views on the venue <u>and</u> agenda were taken into consideration.

But even if sanctions and diplomatic isolation meant that President Saddam was willing to attend a meeting, there was still no indication as to whether other Arab leaders would see him while his forces remained in Kuwait.

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America's Catholic bishops, at their annual meeting in Wash-ington, voted by 249 to 15 on Monday to support an appeal for restraint sent to the administration by Archbishop Roger Mahony of Los Angeles, chairman of the international committee of the US Catholic Conference,

jonal interest and why he felt the

United Nations embargo was not

This suggested war was only moral if the cause was just, all peaceful alternatives had been exhausted, and a distinction was drawn between military and civilian targets. It warned that the US these limits in the Gulf.

A poll in USA Today yesterday showed only 51 per cent of respondents supported the new troop deployment, with 38 per cent opposed. The announcement was "like a bucket of ice water that suddenly woke people up," said Stephen Hess, a senior fellow in governmental studies at the Brookings Institution. Support for Mr Bush's handling of the crisis dropped to 51 per cent from 82 per cent in August, and 31 per cent now believed war was "somewhat" or "very" likely.

Adding to the pressure on the White House, Robert Dole, leader of the Senate's Republican minority, supported Mr Lugar's call for Congress to be reconvened, saying a declaration of congressional support would quiet the president's domastic critis and build a consenses amongst the public.

The White House is resisting

such calls. It insists it is still pursuing a peaceful settlement, that it has been consulting and regular basis, and that therefore there is no reason to recall Congress. A full congressional debate

could prove divisive, sending the wrong signals to Iraq, and Mr Lugar agreed it was "conceivable" that Congress might refuse to approve the use of US troops for offensive action. If that was the case, he said, it would be better that the White House knew it now rather than after a war had begun.



British hostages in Lebanon free soon, Iran radical predicts

By JUAN CARLOS GUMUCIO

information of a possible release,

while friends and relatives of Mr

Mann reacted with caution. "My

tions after all we have heard

before," said David Waite, the

Reports about the hostages, no

matter how ambiguous or cryptic,

are taken seriously when coming

from Iran because Tehran still

holds great influence over Lebe-non's Shia Muslim fundamental-

ists of the Hezbollah (Party of

God) and other groups linked with

the kidnappers. The release of

Canterbury's missing envoy.

CONFUSION outweighed hope last night after a leading radical figure in Iran who opposes the release of Western hostages in Lebanon predicted "regrettably" that British captives will be freed

Ali Akber Mohtesbemi, a for-mer imerior minister with alleged links with the kidnappers of Terry Waite, John McCarthy and possibly Jack Mann, said in an interview published in Tehran sterday that the captors of the Britons would yield to increasing pressure to set their victims free. He was quoted as saying that he lamented such an outcome because nothing had been done on behalf of five Iranians who were

kidnapped in Lebanon in 1982. Regrettably we see that the British hostages, because of pres-sure on Lebanese Muslim groups, are to be released in the next few days." Hoiatoleslam Mohtashemi told the Abrar newspaper. "Our

Brian Keenan, for example, was announced by Iran's official news agency, IRNA, days before the Belfast-born teacher was set free in Iranian brothers are still in (Lebanese) Phalangist jails," he said.
In Beirut there were no indications of a possible release. In Syria, a key intermediary and a hostage transit point, one reliable source said no special prepara-tions were under way last night. The Foreign Office said it had no

Beirut in August.

Hojatoleslam Mohtashemi's prediction, however, falls into a different and more enigmatic category. There was speculation last night that he may have been hinting that his Lebenese follow-Waite, Mr McCarthy and Mr ers have no choice but to follow President Rafamiani's orders and which would strengthen the recently restored relations between brother of the Archbishop of London and Tehran.

Hojatoleslam Mohtashemi did not identify the source of the "pressure" on the kidnappers. although there was also speculation that he was referring to the Syrian-backed drive to eliminate all milities from Beirut, including Hezbollah, which began pulling out heavy weapons from the southern suburbs yesterday.

Israelis arrest leading Arabs

Jerusalem - The Israeli defence ministry yesterday ordered the detention without trial of three prominent Palestinians, two of them for alleged membership of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (Paul Adams writes).

Radwan Abu Ayyash, the head of the Arab Journalists' Association, and a fellow journalist, Ziad Abu Zayyad, were both jailed for six months. A ministry statement said the two were senior members of the Fatah wing of the PLO. adding that their activities were harmful to the security of Israel and the occupied territories. Mr Abu Ayyash's brother denied the charges, describing them

as "a well-known cliche." The third Palestinian, Dr Ahmed al-Yazgi, the former head of Gaza's Shifa Hospital, was detained for a year under emergency

defence regulations. Meanwhile an Israeli soldier was killed by a Jordanian teenager yesterday in the second serious border incident in less than a week. He was shot dead while on duty at an outpost overlooking the Adam bridge, one of two crossing points between Jordan and the West Bank.

His assailant, who was arrested. was identified as a 17-year old Jordanian, in civilian clothes. Israel radio claimed later that he

was a member of Islamic Jihad. In Jerusalem, the latest wave of Arab-Jewish violence continued as two Israeli policemen were stabbed in the old city. After the attack, in which both officers were slightly wounded, security forces closed the city gates and rounded up dozens of Palestinians.

Australian mission

Sydney - Australia's second private diplomatic mission to release its hostages held in Baghdad is expected to be approved by Iraq today in the face of continued criticism from the Labor government of Bob Hawke. No effort will be made to stone that the be made to stop them, but the team of three former political figures faces a rough reception in Iraq because many Iraqis see Australian attitudes as hardline and insulting towards Islam and the Arabs.

Sabotage alert

Caracas - The Venezuelan army > has quadrupled the number of soldiers guarding petroleum installations throughout the country after a warning by Western intelligence that they were being considered "primary sabotage targets" by the Iraqi government, A senior Venezuelan military source said that a letter of warning handed to the Caracas government included nations that are part of Operation Desert Shield.

Executions claim

Van, Turkey - An Iraqi army defector said that President Saddam Hussein executed six generals and other officers, almost all for dissent over the invasion of Kuwait. More than 100 officers of various ranks were executed simultaneously by machine gun on August 2 because they did not want to go to Kuwait, an Iraqi captain, aged 26, who refused to give his name, said in this eastern Turkish city. Six three-star generals were also executed. (Reuler)

Saudi driving ban

Riyadh - Saudi Arabia has banned all women in the kingdom from driving, a move that made a traditional prohibition legal. The interior ministry said the new measure would affect Saudi citizens as well as foreign residents. It was not clear if this would affect US women soldiers deployed in the kingdom. The announcement came one week after an unprecedented demonstration by 70 Saudi women demanding to be allowed to drive. (AFP)

Oil deal rejected

Budapest - Hungary has confirmed for the first time that Iraq offered to supply Budapest with badly needed cheap crude oil two months ago as part of a deal involving the sale of food to Baghdad. Janes Herman, the spokesman for the Hungarian foreign ministry, said that Budapest refused the offer because it had no intention of breaking UN sanctions against Iraq.

GULF NOTEBOOK by Christopher Walker

Battle of the airwaves results in culture clash

fter more than 100 days of phoney war, the main enemy faced by the troops in the desert - apart from the scorpions, sand vipers and stillpunishing heat - is boredom. The US Army is trying to improve matters by distributing 30,000 radios.

Competing for the soldiers' attention are the non-stop American services station, known as "Good Morning Saudi Arabia" in keeping with Vietnam tradition, and the broken English of Iraqi radio's new female propaganda announcer, nick-named Baghdad Rose by GIs. Saigon Rose was the name given to a venereal disease that was rampant in the South Vietnamese capital. The Desert Shield Network opened with "Rock the Casbah" by The Clash, and despite deference to Saudi sensibilities in choice of



music, provides a Western diet of rock, country and jazz, interspersed with news. There are amouncements on the importance of respecting local culture, but the troops show signs of tiring of it and have nicknamed

they see on journeys into town as "ninja turtles". The poor English of Baghdad Rose is treated as a joke by most soldiers. But they tune in out of curiosity to the nightly blend of Vietnam-era music and warnings of the prowess of the Iraqi army. "To the American soldier in the Saudi Arabia desert: ask your friends about what happened in Vietnam. The American soldiers' corpses are still lost in Vietnam after they had been eaten by worms," she cooed recently.

The Americans may have the most troops and the best equipment in the multinational force, but by common consent (including their own) they have the worst food when they are out on duty in the desert. Meals Ready to Eat, or MREs, have caused such wide-

spread discontent that the latest issue of Car Country, the weekly paper of the US 1st Cavalry Division, was forced to try to play down anxieties. The paper declared: "Desert Shield troops should not worry about the effect of Meals Ready

to Eat on sex drive or their digestive system. The army's research labs . . . asserted that no chemical additives are added to lessen libido and that the meals do not cause constipation." he Gulf confrontation has

turned into a media-dominated event with the whole of the spacious second floor of Dhahran's luxury International Hotel converted into a giant multinational press centre with different desks peddling "press and TV facilities" ranging from nights in the desert to visits to the new Oasis Sports Club, opened

soldiers. The British public relations contingent readily admits that the lessons of the Falklands have been learnt in London and the effort in that conflict to censor information about British military activities has been replaced by a Whitehall version of

While Americans on live-fire exercises in front of the TV cameras have usually restricted themselves to shouting "Bang" when a certain weapon is supposed to fire, the British have fired everything from phos-phorous grenades to 10,000lb Milan anti-tank missiles. If the accompanying television teams miss anything, an intrepid army video crew is present in the trenches under attack to augment the footage with what one officer obligingly described as "a little more bang-bang".

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From Charles Bremner

IN NEW YORK

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fore the Dodgers lett Brooklyn

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New York was the Daily

News. Gritty and brash, the

tabloid conveyed the rough

The New York Times may

have recorded history, but it

was the News that scored

against its nine rivals with

scoops such as the time in

1928 when it smuggled a camera into the death cell at

Sing Sing prison and snapped

Now, almost three weeks

into a bitter strike, the News,

still the biggest-selling US city

daily as recently as last year,

may be about to go the way of

all those other New York institutions, from the Dodgers

to Checker cabs. The struggle

is an anachronism in a coun-

try where organised labour has

lost its clout in virtually every

industry, and represents a

watershed in New York, still

Few New Yorkers have

escaped the battle between the

Chicago Tribune group, the thriving company which owns the News, and the production

and drivers' unions which are determined to prevent it from selling its "scab" edition, put

together by replacements and non-strikers. More than 60

delivery lorries have been destroyed and dozens of union members arrested in skirmishes involving rock-throwing, arson and attacks with base-

ball bats. Armed guards ride

shotgun and security cars.

escort the lorries every night,

The owners are accusing the

very much a union town.

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South African covert unit 'had a hand in murders'

From GAVIN BELL

A COVERT South African military unit, which rec-ognised no higher authority, employed convicted murderers and others with personality defects to "try, sentence and punish" perceived enemies of the state who had no opportunity to defend themselves, a judicial commission

The commission, appointed in February to investigate 71 unsolved murders and other acts of political violence in the 1980s, said the unit had put its own interests above those of the public, and its activities had contaminated the entire state security apparatus.

Harms, the chairman and sole activities by the unit, which member of the commission, was disbanded a week before implicated the shadowy Civil Co-operation Bureau (CCB) in only two murders, a bomb attack, and alleged plots to kill three anti-apartheid activists. He referred these cases to attorneys-general for further

In his report published yes-terday, Mr Justice Harms said the conduct of CCB agents before and during the commission created the suspicion that they had been involved in forces, whose responsibility be held responsible." He said more violent crimes than the was to "disrupt maximally the the allegations would be in-



Malan: resisting calls for his resignation

While unable to find sub-However, Mr Justice Louis stantive proof of murderous the commission began sitting, Mr Justice Harms condemned the system which created it. "The commission has been unable to achieve one of its main purposes, namely to restore public confidence in a part of the state administration." his report said.

It had been established that the CCB operated under the wing of the South African Defence Force (SADF) special mies of the state," and in vestigated but it had to be Europe.

Announcing

particular the African Nat-ional Congress and the South 1980s was a period of revolu-African Communist Party. Initially, it operated overseas, but in 1988 it created a domestic wing.

Referring to attempts to force the CCB to provide the commission with documents tion, he said: "Orders by the state president, the minister of defence and the chief of the defence force were simply ignored. Requests by par-liament, the auditor-general and the commission were treated with contempt." While there were indications that at least some members of the unit took the law into their

own hands, he said: "The minister of defence is, of course, politically responsible for his department, and that includes the CCB." General Magnus Malan, the defence minister has consistent and the consistence of the minister, has consistently rejected calls for him to resign over the affair. He agreed yesterday that ministers were answerable for their departments, but he said the OCB had been disbanded became of the unauthorised activity of five or six people. "This is clearly a case of employees... who, in the course of their service, committed crimes for which I, or anyone else cannot

tionary and terrorist threats inst the state. Mr Justice Harras found no

evidence of a "hit squad". There was no doubt that incidents related by former security policemen took place but their testimony lacked credibility and the police had denied involvement. "It would be very difficult in the extreme to prove the veracity of the allegations in criminal proceedings," he said.

vesterday announced drastic reductions to its diplomatic staff in Canberra and the closure of its Sydney consulate because of Australia's alleged failure to recognise efforts to reform apartheid (Robert Cockburn writes).

SYDNEY: South Africa

Australia has been asked to make reciprocal cuts among its ten officials in South Africa by next April. The South African officials will go home in March.
Meanwhile, the South Af-

Woolwich Prime Gold.

rican foreign minister, R.F. "Pik" Botha said in London yesterday that South Africa wants to set up dip-lomatic links with Czechoslovakia, Romania and promote trade and ease busi-



Ye Htin Kyaw, left, and Ye Marn, arrivin for a court hearing in the Indian city of Barrackpore, accused of hijacking a Thai airfiner to Calcutte et the weekend. Ali 221 ers were released enlarged. The

government has rejected a request from the Burnese regime to send the students back to Rangoon, saying the two would be dealt with under Indian law. The two men have asked the Indian government to grant them

Hong Kong frees 111 boat people

A GROUP of 111 Vietnames

put in the care of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees yesterday for their release from Victoria prison and transfer to the open air soil. Tak offices centre law in the evening. The refugees win by porarily pending the completion of court proceedings.

Hong Kong in May 1989 asking for provisions and repairs to their ship. They maintain that they did not intend to stay in Hong Kong

found in Hong Kong," he said. The government is considering an appeal. "If the court ruling is not overturned," the spokesman said, "then at some stage action may be taken to remove all 111 from

From PAUL MOONEY IN HONG KONG

A government spokesman said that in the government's view their treatment bard been in full accordance with the letter and spirit of Hong Kong law. He said that after the group's release by the court, the boat people had been detained to enable the immigration department to determine their status. "This is normal procedure where an immigrant without documents or permission to land is

boat people rearrested on Monday in Hong Kong just after a High Court judge free again yesterday.

"In exercising my discretion

have decided to release them on their own recognisance," mmigration, said. The Victoamese have been

and lawyers were preparing evening. The refugees win be accommodated there tem-

Judge Raymond Sears, who on Monday had ordered the release of the refugees, granted them leave to apply for a fresh writ of habeas corpus.

Hong Kong."

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but few newspaper sellers are willing to take the risk of handling the News. unions of organising Mafiatype violence. The unions say the owners, who spent mil-

lions training replacements and setting the scene for a showdown, are employing "goon squads" to provoke bloodshed. At the News headquarters, an art deco skyhundreds of pickets and police stand guard. Radio stations are thick with rival commer-

hand. They had kept the presses running with new staff, producing a pallid ver-sion of the old News, and journalists were trickling back to work. But it has become clear that few of the 300,000 or so papers being printed are Jim Hoge, the chief executive, has resorted to the desperate measure of employing hundreds of vagrants to hawk the News for pennics on subway trains and streets. Most longstanding advertisers have now

Mike McAlary, a champion of the underdog who was the newspaper's star, has defected in disgust to the New York Post, the rival tabloid which survived near-death this year after a compromise between the owners and unions.

He said: "You can't write a column that professes to be about fairness and taking down bad guys when the paper s unfair and, quite suddenly, the bad guy.

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Many old hands have little sympathy for what they see as suicidal union practices, but they have stayed out because they are appalled by the tough tactics employed by the

Wan Li, the chairman of the Chinese National People's Congress, who was to have been the highest-level visitor to Britain from Peking since the Tiananmen Square mass killings in June last year, has postponed his trip indefinitely, citing health reasons (Catherine Sampson writes). Mr Wan's visit was to have started on Saturday, at the invitation of the House of Commons. Diplomatic sources said that Mr Wan, aged 74, had been advised by his doctors not to travel to Britain, but no details of his health had been given. Foreigners attending recent official meetings with Mr Wan say, that he has looked extremely unwell. Leading article, page 15.

Peru rebel's jail term lengthened

Lima - The leader of Peru's Shining Path guerrillas, Osman Morote, has been sentenced to 20 years in jail by a Peruvian court for bombings, assaults and other attacks carried out by the Maoist rebels. Morote is already serving a 15-year sentence for other crimes.

Four other Shining Path guerrillas were sentenced to jail terms ranging from 10 to 18 years. (Rewer)

Brando affair

Papeete - Cheyenne Brando, daughter of Marion Brando, was recovering in a Tahiti hospital after trying to hang herself. Miss Brando, aged 20, is a key figure in a murder case against her brother Christian, who is accused of shooting her Tahitian boyfriend, Dag Drollet, last May. (Reuter)

Papal crusade

Aversa, Italy - The Pope, on an anti-Maña crosade in the Naples region, denounced violence against immigrants which had "bathed the land in tears and blood". The Pope has spoken out against organised crime on every day of a five-day visit to the area, urging local politicians to be honest. He also pleaded for more tolerance towards North African farmhands. (Reuter)

Falklands talks Madrid - Delegations of Brit-

ish and Argentine officials met here for a second day of "technical disussions" aimed at resolving differences about fishing rights off the Falklands. Argentina considers Britain's proposal to extend the 15-mile fishing zone to 200 miles would interfere with the limits of its territorial waters. The countries re-established diplomatic ties after talks here

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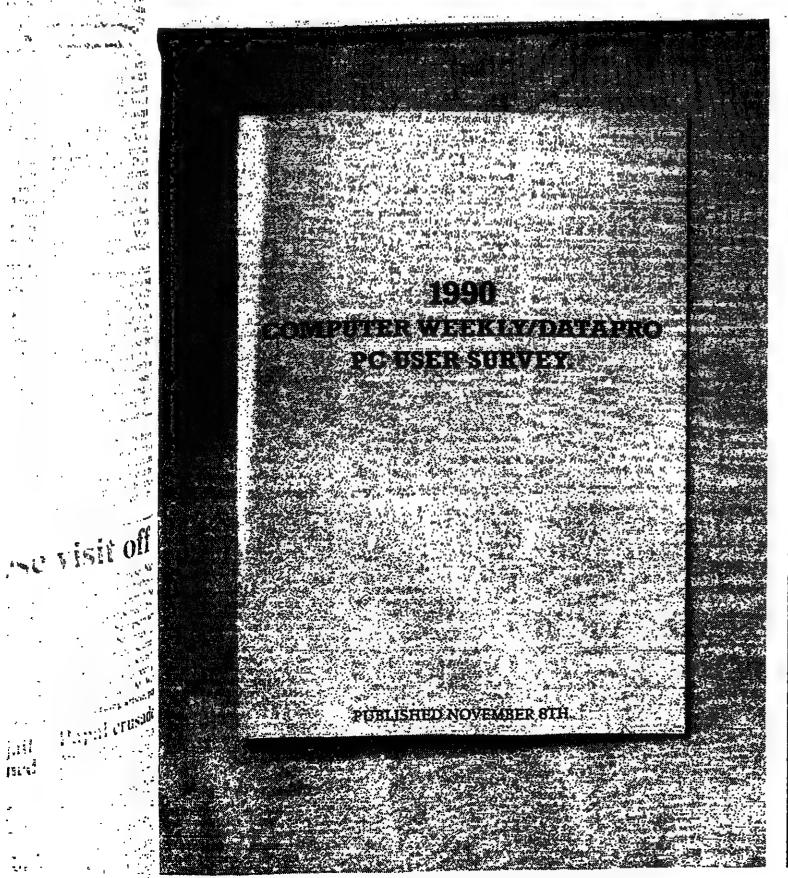
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Les enfants enragés

Philip Jacobson

ars burning along the Quai d'Orsay, running fights beween police and stonethrowing youths in the Latin quarter, teargas drifting over the Seine as riot squads stand by to repel attacks on public buildings... The violent aftermath of the protest march by 100,000 high school pupils in Paris on Monday - the vast majority of whom behaved impeccably - inevitably brings to mind images of May 1968 and the student unrest in 1986, especially since the government is manifestly off-balance and faces a difficult motion of censure in parliament next week.

The alacrity with which President Mitterrand, that great trimmer, began signalling that he understands the concerns and aspirations that first sent France's hiceens into the streets a month ago further underlines the unease in the Socialist camp. Nobody at the Elysee Palace needs to be reminded that both the previous student uprisings, which ul-timately turned into direct challenges to government policy, were fuelled initially by the same

But if simple arithmetic indicates that many of today's protesters are the sons and daughters of the "68ers", their demands are significantly different. From the start, the present wave of demonstrations has been about the money needed to rescue France's secondary education system from a sea of troubles.

In no particular order, protestors in every corner of the country want decaying buildings up-graded, classroom overcrowding relieved, more teachers and steps to ensure that schools are made safer and free of drugs.

As the prominent educationist Edgar Morin pointed out in Le Monde the other day, that is a long way from the loose (some would say sloppy) political ideology that motivated the 1968 demonstrators. "Their central demand was for a change in society, which was not something that lay within the power of the government of the day. The present unrest among lycéens seems to lack any such

global characteristic."
So why is M Mitterrand apparently so edgy about it, moving swiftly to express indirect criticism in public of his beleaguered education minister, Lionel Jospin, even of the prime minister, Michel Rocard? After all, this is the government that has just asked for a record £24 billion for education. making it the single largest item in the budget: spending on schools is to rise by 8.5 per cent in real terms, on the universities by almost 12 per cent, with most of the extra funds being siphoned off directly

M Jospin is understandably aggrieved at the protest banners accusing him of scrimping on the

complain that every delegation be receives — whether of pupils, parents or teachers - simply sticks out a hand for more cash instead of suggesting dialogue and negotiation. Nor has the ministry's creation of more than 1,000 new administrative posts in the educational system, plus the appointment of 3,000 "monitors" to improve security, done anything to diminish the pressure.

The best explanation for this lies in the origin of the present unrest, at a string of schools in the bleak and underpriviledged outer suburbs of Paris. These grim industrial areas are the home ground of the young zonards, for most of whom the future is already mapped out as grinding manual work at best, or, increasingly,

long-term unemployment.

Many are of north and west African origin, the children of immigrants now growing up as French citizens, soon eligible to vote, should they bother to. Their simmering anger at the conditions in which they live, the inadequate schooling, their dismal job pros-pects, is slowly surfacing to confront French society.

To some observers, a clear line runs from the recent serious riots at Vaulx-en-Vélin near Lyons to rising tension in many schools in the cities. The tightly organised bands of "Zulus" and "Vicious Sharks" who spill into Paris most weekends from rundown housing outside the city centre are composed mainly of teenagers des-tined to drop out of school without taking the baccalauréate exam that will decide the future of more fortunate pupils.

Speak to them at demonstra-tions while middlo-class pupils and their parents stage polite protests and the bitterness, rage even, at being let down by the onal system is unconcealed. Like Nasser Ramdahe, who is now emerging as an articulate protest leader among left-wing student groups, they have become "realists who are determined not to be thrown away" in mouldering suburban hycees preparing them for a life as second-class citizens.

"We are not like our parents, who took all the crap without complaining," warned one black zonard on Monday's march. "This may be a picnic for the bourgeois kids but we are deadly serious." The consequence of ignoring their demands, cost what it may, should be abundantly clear. On both occasions when the lychens have marched through Paris, hooligans identified as "Zulus" and other ghetto groups have deliberately provoked violence by looting and attacking the police.

The message for the Elysée, for France's classe politique at large, was lettered neatly on one banner being waved above the throng on Monday. "Politicians, we are the future of France," it read. "We

A clear, agonising choice



a choice in the Gulf. It cannot afford to let its first act of global leader-ship after the end of the cold war drift into a stalemate between a war of controversial purpose and the abandonment of goals adamantly reiterated by President Bush and the international

The American objectives have been affirmed repeatedly in United Nations resolutions: unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, restoration of its legitimate government, and uncondi-tional release of all hostages. Yet Washington has been strangely reluctant to explain how these objectives reflect the American ational interest.

Americans must not be given the impression that they have a duty to go to war against every evil leader and against every transgres-sion of the international order. They need to understand why, if unchecked, this specific aggress by this particular leader will in time threaten their own security choices. President Bush's speech of August 8 defined stability in the Gulf as a vital American interest. following the precedents of his two has been done to spell out why this

The reluctance to define the American national interest has been matched by vagueness about the means required to achieve the stated objectives. According to official pronouncements, the UN goals are to be achieved by sanctions leading to negotiations if possible or, as a last recourse, by military means. The two approaches have been presented as if they were successive phases of the same policy. In fact, they are likely to prove mutually exclusive, because by the time it is evident that sanctions alone cannot succeed, a credible military option will probably no longer exist.

To achieve the proclaimed objectives by sanctions, at least six hurdles must be overcome: The sanctions must bite.

● They must be maintained throughout any negotiations.

• Compromise proposals must not be considered.

Once the UN terms are achieved, arms control objectives must be addressed. • The military option must remain intact psychologically, technically and diplomatically during the entire course of negotiations.

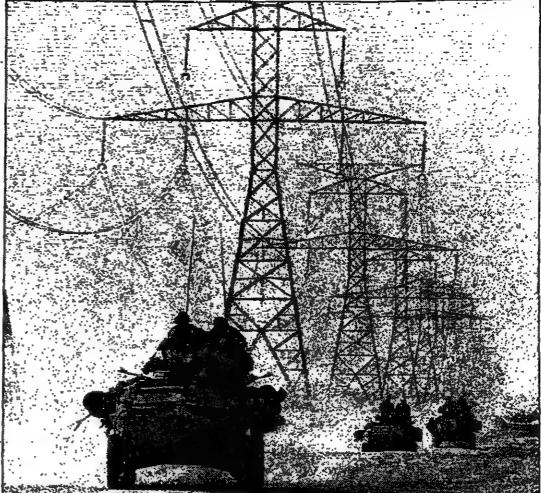
• There must be no other up-heavals to deflect the United States or to rend allied cohesion. To list these hurdles is to set forth the practical impossibility of clearing them. If the sanctions do bite soon, Iraq is more likely to offer to negotiate than to surrender. In that case, pressures to ease the sanctions will be difficult to resist. Which democracy will want

Iraq and Kuwait once negotiations are under way?
The fundamental dilemma is that the UN terms leave no room for real negotiation - except perhaps the staging of the Iraqi withdrawal. So all so-called diplongatic solutions effectively dilute the UN actions while maintaining

to be responsible for starvation in

lrag's war-making potential. For example, even if Saddam accepts the principle of with-drawal from Kuwait, he has already hinted — and Mr Gorbachev's Middle East envoy, Yevgeni Primakov, has confirmed that he would define Kuwait as excluding a strip of land contain-ing a major oilfield as well as two

Henry Kissinger warns that reliance on sanctions against Iraq could rule out the military option, leaving Saddam triumphant and Bush humiliated



US marines on exercise in the Saudi desert near the Iraqi border. Will they ever see action?

islands controlling access to the Shatt al'Arab waterway. Would America or the UN be prepared to go to war over such a claim, especially in light of the hints we seem to have given to Saddam Hussein before the invasion that we had no strong views about his border dispute with Kuwait?

Similarly, President Mitterrand's scheme for an election to determine the legitimate government of Kuwait runs up against the practical obstacles that half of Kuwait's citizens are refugees, and that most of the people remaining in Kuwait are non-citizens.

Saddam's Arab neighbours will surely note that none of the proposals made in the public dis-cussion would reduce Iraq's military pre-eminence or restore Kuwait completely. If they con-citude that they will be condemned. to live with a dominant Iraq, they will begin their own negotiations.
Recent remarks by the Sandi
defence minister suggest that the
happing has already begun. But
will military force still be psychologically possible after months of inconclusive manoeuvring? And without a realistic military threat, how can the American/UN obje tives be achieved?

Many who advocated sanctions seem to have accepted that their strategy cannot reach the stated goals. However, rather than reexamine the strategy, they are watering down the agreed objectives. M Mitterrand has sugge that as soon as Iraq accepts the principle of withdrawal - in other words, before it actually withdraws - its grievances against Kuwait might be negoniated. Newspapers have urged direct negotiation between Kuwait and Iraq, coupled with some vague arms-control negotiation. The common feature of all these schemes is that they undermine the military option by consuming time, exacting no penalty for aggression, looting a country and taking hostages, and leave as the only disputed issue the extent of the aggressor's gains. And having faced down the combined might of the forces opposing it, Iraq would have little incentive to make

concessions to the fears of its neighbours in any subsequent

arms-control negotiation.

To be fair, many who advocate suctions induced negotiations recognise this dilemma. They pro-pose to protect a settlement by a new regional security system based on a significant American military resence in Sandi Arabia. This is a dangerous mirage. If, after adamant pronouncements and the deployment of a large expeditionary force, the stated US objectives

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were not reached, no Gulf state would happily entrust its fate to a long-term American presence.

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Even if despair led some Gulf nations to welcome a continued American ground presence, this would at best be temporary, and at worst would accelerate the mounting chaos. The often-heard argument that America proved its staying power in Korea and Europe misses the point. The issue in Arabia is not American stayingpower but the host country's domestic stability. In Europe and Korea, American forces contrib-uted to domestic stability; in Saudi Arabia they would threaten it. A substantial American ground establishment would soon become the target of radical and nationalist agitation. Once Iraq had faced down American and UN terms, such a force would sooner or later become hostage to revolutionary lraq, fundamentalist han and

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Saddam Hussein's intransigence may well reflect the calculation that every passing week erodes the likelihood that the forces assembled in the desert can be used against him, and the belief that if war appears imminent, he can defuse the crisis by opening negotiations. He will be confirmed in these views by the many recent visitors, both official and freelance, seeking to compromise what cannot be compromised.

In short, America must choose a strategy appropriate to its objectives or else choose objectives achievable by whatever policy we are willing to implement. And we should have no illusions. After the deployment of a vast ex-peditionary force and President Bush's unqualified call for unconditional withdrawal, merely stabilising the Saudi-Kuwait border would undermine America's relevance to the Middle East and shake moderate Muslim govern-ments from the Gulf to Morocco, including Egypt and even Turkey.

Choosing war will be neither easy nor attractive; this is, in fact, Mr Bush's difficulty, But that such a decision might have to be made has been implicit in the administration's actions and pronouncements throughout. Precisely because the decision is so grave, it should not be precipitated by frustration or petulance. Reports suggest that Washington is waiting for a suitable provocation. After engaging in naked aggression, systematically violating human rights, looting and destroying the nation of Kuwait and taking a thousand American hostages, it is hard to see what more lesq might do to justify military action.

The diplomatic means by which military action can be implemented require especially thoughtful preparation. Two methods are available: authorisation by the UN or a unilateral invocation of Article 51, which defines the right of self-defence. If America seeks UN approval, it is likely to discover the limits of collective security. Some nations

may well not want to assume responsibility for actions which nevertheless they recognise are necessary. Others, though agreeing in substance, may be reluctant to elaborate a theory of great-power military intervention. Still others will disagree with both substance and execution. And the UN debates are certain to be protracted, enabling Iraq to strengthen its defences and perhaps to attack us. Any authorisation would almost in-evitably be bedged about by restrictions that might defeat its purpose.

To invoke Article 51, the administration needs to prepare the American people and involve Congress. Mr Bush would have to spell out why he insists on the UN terms, why they may lead to military action, and why an important objective of such a conflict would be to establish a stable balance of power in the Gulf. None of this, he must make clear, will be easy or cost-free.

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hould the president decide on such a course, military strategy should remain re-lated to realistic political objectives. We do not want to tempt another state - perhaps Iran, perhaps Syria - to try to establish a hegemony in the Middle East. If war does prove pnavoidable, our objective should be not to destroy Iraq, but to raise the cost of occupying Kuwait to an unacceptable level while reducing Iraq's capacity to threaten its

The steady build-up of American forces suggests a commitment to a frontal assault. Perhaps in the end there is no choice other than an attack on entrenched Iraqi positions in Kuwait. But ground combat involving heavy casualties against an enemy tempered by the experience of an eight-year defensive war of attrition with Iran should be an absolutely last resort. Before embarking on it, other approaches must be considered.

The destruction of Iraq's military and industrial complexes, especially its chemical and nuclear facilities and its air and missile forces, would tip the military balance and speed up the working of sanctions. Such a strategy would rely on air and naval power and use ground forces primarily to

overawe a response.

If Saddam's military government sees its principal source of power crode, negotiations more compatible with American objectives could result. Even if one of the compromises sketched above were eventually adopted - z contingency I would regret — the setback would be eased by the sechantion is: the Iraqi multinary:

The Pentagon is rightly allers to the kind of detailed politic interference it experienced in the Vietnam war, but surely there is a middle ground that leaves tactical decisions to the field commander. while preserving the basic strategic choices for the president.

Without doubt, the military option would prove painful and difficult. It might trigger major demonstrations in many Muslim countries; it could well evoke a new wave of terrorism. Saddam. might also spread the conflict. But these dangers must be weighed against the risks of an even larger conflict later if a demonstration of American impotence leads to a collapse of moderate governments, to escalating crises and the disintegration of all order.

As the American administration makes its decisions, it deserves sympathy for the anguish of its choices and the fortitude with which it has managed events up to now. I hope it can find a way forward that avoids both a military strategy of total destructiveness and a diplomatic strategy of amassing UN resolutions, the progressive disregard of which will at some point demonstrate the UN's impotence. But whatever our destination, we must arrive at it by design rather than as captives

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CRAIG BROWN

To the Constituency Associ-ation, Margin-on-Skids, from Sir William Jiggery-Pokery MP In recent weeks there has been much speculation, fanned by the media, on the possibility of a challenge to the leadership of the Conservative party.

As you may have guessed, the media have been working this "little local difficulty" into a news item quite out of all proportion. To my mind we should all get on with the job in hand rother than participating in media hooda.

As you are no doubt aware, I put forward this view on Newsnight last Tuesday (video cassettes still available). I then rushed to Bush House to declare in no uncertain terms that it was "an ill-disguised publicity venture by a small number of backbenchers", and from there to BBC Radio Sheffield where I reiterated my opinion at some length that "there is nothing to talk about".

I followed this by a round condempation on Radio One's Newsheat programme (15 milhon listeners) of those who "will do anything to make their voices heard for short-term gain". The next morning I was to be heard on a variety of local radio stations calling for "a prolonged period of silence".

Finally, you may have heard me on the news bulletin at 11.30 on the Jimmy Young Show on Radio 2 stating that "on my bended knees, tears in my eyes, I beg of the party to stay calm or face certain death". One thing is for sure, over-reaction will prove absolutely fatal.

William Jiggery-Pokery

To the Editor, The Margin-on-Skids Advertiser Sir, In these uncertain times, the people of Margin-on-Skids are. I feel, entitled to know upon which fence their Member of

Parliament is sitting. Might I make it perfectly clear that I would be failing in my duty if I did not explore every avenue before crossing this particular road. One thing is clear; we must not miss the train. When all is said and done, it is up to each of us to come to the only conclusion possible. But let us not answer hypothetical questions. Now is the time for loyalty to the leadership,

whomsoever that leadership may or may not be. I hope I will be forgiven for such plain speaking; my friends tell me that excessive honesty has long been my weakness. I trust you know me well enough by now to realise that I am a man who would rather keep his mouth shut than ever be gagged. William Jiggery-Pokery

From The Sunday Press, Senior Conservative backbenchers yesterday spoke out on the leadership challenge. One of them, Sir William Jiggery-Pokery, stated firmly: We must learn the lessons of history. The Battle of Hastings 1066, Bannockburn 1314. Divorced, beheaded, died, divorced, beheaded, survived. In 1854, Palmerston had no intention of resigning as prime minister. How could be have done? He did not become prime minister until 1855. Finally, as is the tradition during such

From The Margin-on-Skids Herald, November 14 In an urgent press release local MP William Jiggery-Pokery declared that "contrary to prevailing rumour" he would not bow to popular demand to stand in any Conservative party leader-ship election. Initial reports suggest that the news of the

troubled times, might I also

mention King Canute?"

prevailing rumour came as a shock to his constituency association and to most of his fellow MPs, many of whom remembered his name, but could not put a face to it. "Now is the time for the wicket-keeper to resist an own goal before making a pit-stop," Sir William said last night, declining to confirm rumours that there had ever been rumours.

From the office of Sir William Jiggery-Pokery MP Dear Margaret, let me assure you that, in the event of any challenge to the leadership, my loyalty remains constant.

Yours ever, William From the office of Sir William Jiggery-Pokery MP Dear Michael, let me assure you that, in the event of any challenge to the leadership, my loyalty remains constant. Yours ever, William

Making a stir in the houses

s Sir Geoffrey Howe's Com-A sSir Geoffrey Howe's Com-mons attack on the prime minister echoed around Westminster last night, Tory MPs loyal to Mrs Thatcher were furious that he continues to enjoy the comforts of the grace and favour London house that he was given as Leader of the House. They believe he should have moved out immediately after his resignation two weeks ago. "The removal men should be sent around first thing tomorrow morning," said Sir Nicholas Fairbairn. "The moment he lost office he should have lost the perks that go with it."

Mrs Thatcher gave Sir Geoffiey

the house, overlooking the Thames near the Tate Gallery, as a consolation for losing Chevening, the 17th-century country retreat that he and his wife Elspeth enjoyed during his term at the Foreign Office, from which he was sacked in July 1989. For 82 years the London house was the official residence of the commandant of the Royal Army Medical Corps. The present commandant, Major-General Pat Crawford, and his wife Juliet had just refurbished it ready to move in when the newlylaid rugs were snatched from under them.

la addition to the London piedà-terre. Howe also negotiated the use of Dorneywood, the Buckinghamshire mansion that was Nigel Lawson's country residence when he was Chancellor.

Whatever happens, Sir Geof-

frev will not be homeless. Earlier

this year he bought a £350,000

house at Long Compton,

ory MPs agonising over the merits of Thatcher versus Heseltine have the opportunity on Friday of watching party political broadcasts on behalf of both. The two 30-second films will be screened on London Weekend Television's Six o'clock Live in a parody of American presidential campaigns, "We decided to imagine what it would be like if the candidates made films to promote

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the PM's expertise may be all her own. She is a member of the Lord's

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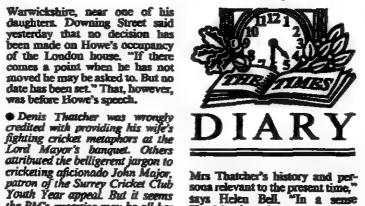
for them at Downing Street only last week. "Cricket? we talk about

nothing else here," says a Downing Street source. Mrs Thatcher? "She

is practising in the nets at the

feature Sir Geoffrey Howe, but we are faced with time constraints? Championing Mrs Thatcher is the agency The Creative Rusiness, more used to selling pet-food than prime ministers. "We are making

themselves," says the producer, Christie Yestes. "We would like to



Mrs Thatcher's history and per-sona relevant to the present time," says Helen Bell, "In a sense eltine is easier to sell because it's always easier to say 'Isn't it time we had a change?"

Tinker, Taylor...

riends of A.J.P. Taylor, who died in September, will honour his memory at a gather-ing at Magdalen College, Oxford, in the new year. For those of them who have not heard it, bere is an anecdote from the broadcaster and campaigning author Robert Kee, who was Taylor's pupil before becoming an RAF bomber pilot in 1940. After 22 missions over Ger-

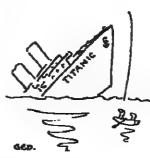
many, Kee was shot down and taken prisoner. Throughout his three-year captivity he received regular letters from Taylor, many of them laced with gossip about academic politics at Magdalen. Of this, Kee did not understand a word. Only after his return to Britain at the end of the war was all explained. Taylor told him that every month a cloak-and-dagger figure visited him and got him to insert a series of codewords into the letters. Kee did not know what

was going on, and in any case would not have been able to decipher them. What they said remains a mystery, since the letters disappeared when the camp was liberated by the Red Army. Perhaps they are still sit in a Moscow archive, waiting to be disinterred by glasnost and added to the mass of Tayloriana.

Third time lucky

early 60 years of history lie behind a bookbinding cur-rently on show at the British Library. The jewel-encrusted copy of Edward Fitz-Gerald's version of The Rubbiyat of Omar Khayyam is identical to a

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copy that went down with the Titanic in 1912. The original was bound in 1910 by the Polish bookbinder Francis Sangorski. It had a design of three peacocks decorated with topaz, and miniature rubies in their eyes.

Twelve years after the disaster. Stanley Bray began work as an apprentice with the firm of Sangorski and Sutcliffe, "People in the firm still talked about Saneorski and his Rubāiyāt," says Bray, now 83 and living in Surrey. "It was thought impossible to create a binding as brilliantly as he had done."

When Bray discovered Sangorski's original patterns in 1932, he set about proving them wrong. "I spent seven years creating an exact copy and collecting the jewels," says Bray, "only to have it reduced to ashes in the Blitz." Bray rescued the jewels and began work on a second copy. He returned to it after his retirement in 1985 and completed it last year.

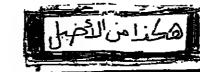
Bray says it is impossible to put

a value on the book. "The jewels alone must be worth £30,000. I suppose it's satisfying to have left something of a legacy."

Stand-up clerics

fter lobbying David Mellor, A the arts minister, the British Music Hall Society is staging a diverse range of acts to my to prove its suitability for a government grant. One of them is The London Holy Show, put together by a group of clerics led by a violing-playing Roman Catholic nun, which recently entertained members of the society at the Westminster Cathedral Conference centre.

Jack Seaton, president of the society, says: "They sing Irish folk songs and tell cheeky jokes. The proceeds of their shows go to charity. If ever we are given the status we deserve, we can come to the aid of similar worthy causes. We hope that now we have God on our side, the government may look more sympathetically on us.



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that the current differences are exagginates and that the current differences are exagginates and that the current differences are exagginates and that a leadership contest is essential.

Sir Geoffrey's speech was carefully conceived, persuasive and passionate. He did not seek precisely to define his differences with the prime minister. His points were familiar. First, prime minister. His points were instinctive much had been lost by her instinctive much had been lost by her instinctive about Europe. In particular, on such a course president much had been nost by an particular, should real to realistic earlier entry into the exchange-rate mechanism earlier entry into the exchange-rate mechanism (ERM) would have prevented "substantial damage to the prime minister's administration" and to inflation. Secondly, her European partners needed assents proposed the impromptu "no, no, no" which followed.

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Thirdly, he said, she unmarked the sending negotiating position. "It is rather like sending negotiating position. It is its in the crease only to your opening batsmen to the crease only to your opening batsmen to the date the game find the bats have been broken before the game by the team captain." Fourth, she had no vision, "She seems sometimes to look upon a continent which is positively teeming with ill-intentioned people" who wanted to lead us through the back door into a federal Europe: "What kind of vision is that?"

The speech sounded well. But, ERM timing apart, it was mostly about style. Suppose Mrs Thatcher, with exactly the views she holds, laced them with Euro-rhetoric. Suppose she cuddled up to President Mitterrand and Chancellor Kont Suppose and asked Charles Powell, her promises and asked Charles Powell, her cultivated private secretary, to stud her speeches with references to the culture of

Europe. Where then would the differences lie? The point is underlined by the speech made by her putative challenger, Michael Heseltine, in his own speech to the Kangaroo Club in Hamburg yesterday. He conceded that "there is, certainly in Britain, growing concern at the erosion of sovereignty". He argued that in practical European politics, each country retained and would continue to retain a wide discretion. "Increased political co-operation certainly, but not a political federation." Questions of shared sovereignty could wait.

Mr Heseltine, of course, took a more positive position on monetary union than does the prime minister. Both he and Sir Geoffrey are willing to commit themselves to a target date for monetary union and to face whatever problems arise over sovereignty afterwards. Mrs Thatcher, in contrast, wants to be sure that the political implications of EMU are clear before Britain is committed to it. None the less taking Mr Heseltine's speech as a whole - and indeed Sir Geoffrey's - the gulf hardly appears unbridgeable.

In a world of pure reason, unity could readily be achieved. Unlike the debate over the corn laws which destroyed the pre-modern Tory party, no yes or no verdict is required. What is needed is some agreement on the principles which should govern issue-by-issue tactics. For example, the principle of subsidiarity, whereby decisions are taken at the lowest level that is practically effective, ought to be acceptable to all but the most centralist of Eurofanatics.

Rightly or wrongly, however, the political world is not governed by pure reason. From time to time in politics, a divide grows up which combines some substance, some style, much passion, the clash of personalities and the smack of ambition. Labour almost tore itself apart over nationalisation, long after any serious politician in it continued to hold either that everything or that nothing should be publicly owned. The Tory party will not be destroyed but its prospects could be deeply damaged, even beyond the next election.

From this point of view, it really does not matter if those divisions are of substance, or of style, or of some mixture of the two. What matters is to stop the rot. If Mrs Thatcher wins a leadership contest, she will be entitled to continue in her own inimitable style, though if she is wise, she will not again ride roughshod over the views of her cabinet colleagues. If she loses, or is so damaged that she has to step down, her successor will be entitled to claim a mandate for a new approach. Should there yet be no contest, the party will continue to tear itself apart, with grave costs to itself, and ultimately, to the interests of the nation.

CHINESE PUZZLES

Since the massacre in Tiananmen Square China's discredited gerontocrats have put "stability before everything", a slogan which masks the failure, 17 months on, to resolve the masks the failure, 17 months on, to resolve the facilities of the condition policy, the deadlock is such that although the next five-year plant described to the condition of the c date has been set for the National People's Congress which must approve the blueprint, for the good reason that no blueprint exists. sion in Peking than China's ambivalent attitude to the confrontation in the Gulf.

President Saddam Hussein offered Peking an unlooked-for opportunity to rebuild relations with the West, which China's leaders seem not to know how to exploit. The need for Chinese support for collective action against Iraq, as one of the five permanent members of the UN Security Council with veto powers, was a factor which weighed heavily in last month's decision by the European Community to lift sanctions. China has either voted with the other four or abstained on all ten security council resolutions to date. Yet China has repeatedly distanced itself from the consensus.

Significantly, China is the only permanent member to have dispatched its foreign minister to Baghdad. Both there and in Egypt and Saudi Arabia, Qian Qichen has been a model of deviousness — above all on the key question of China's willingness to support a UN resolution authorising the use of force.

In Cairo, where Mr Qian met the US secretary of state, James Baker, he said that "considerable discussion" would first be needed. In Baghdad, before meeting Saddam, he said that he had brought no proposals and was there to listen. He considered the invasion of Kuwait "an Arab affair". An aide went further, saying that Mr Qian had come to assure Saddam that China stood by "Arabs in

general and the Iraqi people in particular". Yet on Monday, Mr Qian told officials in Saudi Arabia that he had warned the Iraqi leader that China would not veto any UN liberate Kuwait and that he had better strike a deal while he still could, Saddam's reversal of his initial rejection of Morocco's call for a fresh Arab summit and dispatch of his trusted heutenant, Taha Yassin Kamadan, to Kabai yesterday would seem to bear this out.

China's admirers may discern in these manoeuvres a commendable subtlety, a desire to use China's friendship with Iraq in the cause of peace. More likely, Mr Qian suffers from contradictory instructions from Peking. While he was in the Middle East, the Chinese government officially reiterated that it was categorically against the outbreak of military confrontation". Such inscrutability will win Peking friends neither in the Gulf, nor on Capitol Hill (where the House of Representatives recently voted to suspend China's "most favoured nation" status, a decision which if implemented would cost the People's Republic some \$3 billion a year).

Western leaders have quietly relaxed their prohibition on high-level contact. Douglas Hurd saw Mr Qian in New York last month and, had he not been taken ill, Mrs Thatcher was to have lunched with Wan Li, chairman of the National People's Congress, this weekend. To impress on Peking the need for an unequivocal commitment to collective security should not be beyond the West's capacity.

To work its passage back into the international community, Peking must also liberalise at home. But solidarity in confronting aggression would be a down-payment.

AN UNREFORMED SYNOD

Of the 574 members of the new General Synod of the Church of England which was inaugurated by the Queen yesterday, nearly half are newly elected. They may have allowed themselves to be impressed by the pomp and circumstance of the royal occasion in Westminster Abbey, but they should not allow themselves to be taken in by it. The synod suffers from a gross over-estimation of its own importance. The new members would be doing the Church of England a good turn if they aligned themselves with the longer-serving members who know this to be true and wish something to be done.

The irony is that a synod which was designed as an instrument of reform in the church seems unable to reform itself. Instruments of reform become dangerous if they achieve their primary purpose but then remain in being looking for further justifications for their continued existence.

The dynamic behind the creation of the General Synod in 1970 was the need for some alternative to parliamentary control of prayer book revision. The rejection by parliament of the revised book proposed in 1928 had generated bitterness which affected a whole generation of churchmen. They had their relief in 1974 with the Worship and Doctrine Measure, which empowered the synod to produce its own alternative to the 1662 Book of Common Prayer, a process which bore fruit

in 1980 with the Alternative Services Book. The introduction of those modern language services, which might be described as necessary but not desirable, completed the main purposes of the synod's existence. But it still exists a decade later, with a voracious appetite for reports and resolutions which has to be fed. Such a body is bound to meddle in almost everything, not because its members are by nature meddlesome but because they must have something to do when they assemble in London or York three times a year, for three or four days each time. If the church and the world could be put to rights by talking, heaven on earth would have been achieved years ago. The system for governing the Church of England lacks the wisdom to leave well alone.

The synod has a complex structure, designed to contain the tensions bound to arise in any broad church but in fact likely to magnify the distrust the various parts feel towards each other. On serious matters each of the houses of laity, clergy and bishops has a veto over the other two; in each house one third of the members has a veto over the rest. Such a structure cultivates head counting and procedural plotting rather than the encouragement

of consensus. The synod is directly responsible for the reappearance in the Church of England of a divisive "party spirit" between Anglo-Catholics and Evangelicals and between those for and against the ordination of women. The new synod wasted no time before embarking on party point-scoring in the election of its officers. Government by elected synod has become standard throughout the Anglican Communion, but nowhere else are the structures so complex and hidebound by legalism, nowhere else are meetings anything like so frequent. An annual meeting for the English synod would be sufficient. And its time would then need to be rationed so that only necessary business would be dealt with. The Church of England at large might then at last begin to trust it.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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ment in this respect.

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From Dr Edmund Marshall

Sir, It is significant that the prime

minister, in the cricketing allu-sions of her Guildhall speech

(report, November 13) describes her style as that of a slogging

batsman against all bowling rather

than as captain of a team of many,

et, is a team game. We have less

need of a star batsman, staying at

the crease all day and every day,

than of a good captain who encourages the whole team to win

matches. That's cricket.

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14 Belgravia Road, Wakefield, West Yorkshire.

From Mr Andrew Downes

Sir, "Thatcher ready to hit out at

'hostile bowling'" ran your head-line of November 13. Surely a new

delivery in cricket has now been

invented - "The Heseltine". The

batsman is not certain where the

ball will pitch, which way it will turn upon pitching, how high it will go or even if the bowler, rosred on by the crowd and his

fellow players in his run-up, will

Cabinet government, like crick-

Yours faithfully,

November 9.

varied talents.

Yours faithfully

November 13.

let go of the ball.

Yours with a straight bat, ANDREW DOWNES,

Northaw, Potters Bar, Hertfordshire.

From Mr P. C. C. Gobourn

Sir, According to the old saying, "A politicism thinks of the next election, a statesman of the next generation." It appears that this

country has a surplus of politicians and a dearth of statesmen.

Indeed, it is possible to identify

but one statesman (woman).

Segrave, 7 Park Place, Cheltenham, Gloncestershire

Nostalgic records

Sir, It may be too late to advise Mr

Adrian de Redman (October 25)

as he seems to have already saddled himself with a complete

hi-fi centre in order to listen to his

collection of old records. How-

ever, in case that it might be of use

to some others in similar circum-

stances let me say that I recently

bought a wonderful record player, even if I did so mainly out of

nostalgia and to bring an odd note

of decor into my sitting room.

This for the princely sum of £13,

in an impeccable external state, in

perfect working order and includ-

ing the original set of instructions. The source of such a splendid find? The Oxfam shop round the

From Mr C. Larrea

November 12.

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Yours sincerely,

15 Gleneagle Road, SW16.

From Mr A. P. S. de Redman

Sir, It would seem that most of

your readers have been kind enough to write and offer me a

record player. May I ask you to thank them all for me, I shall reply

to everyone in turn, but am completely overwhelmed at the

moment. Perhaps the two or three

remaining readers will not now

I am most grateful and rather

practitioners of medical/para-

medical professions approved by

the Council for National Aca-

I would fear making all practis-

ing acupuncturists accountable to

the General Medical Council, if

the council shares the same nar-

row views on acupuncture as the

British Medical Acupuncture

Society. The society seems to have

totally rejected the original Chinese concept on which the disci-

pline was founded; one society

member was quoted as saying, "I

don't think many of us believe in

yin and yang any more, if we ever

The British Acupuncture

Association believes that tra-ditional and Western medicines

should complement one another,

and that the teaching and practice of acupuncture should be con-

ducted using both a traditional-

and scientific basis,

ROYSTON LOW (Dean),

8 Hunter Street, WCI.

British College of Acupuncture,

Yours faithfully.

November 2

feel it necessary to write.

ADRIAN de REDMAN,

igham 16.

Yours faithfully,

Flat 1, 283 Gillot Road,

Rotton Park,

November 1

demic Awards.

LARREA,

Holly Princle, Coopers Lane,

Conundrum of challenging for Tory leadership

From Mr A. I. Shenkman

Sir, In the present leadership controversy in the Conservative party, a great deal is heard from a discontented and disloyal section of back-bench opinion, composed substantially of those who have hald office and lost it and of those who have never merited office at all. A very senior Conservative back-bencher told me this week that nothing concentrates the mind of this type of MP as powerfully as the contemplation

of the prospect of losing his seat.

The resention of this seat depends very largely upon the support he receives during the actual election campaign from the activists of the local constituency party organisation, and it is only therefore right that the opinion of these activists should be taken into account by all individual members in the course of the leadership election.

Having myself worked unstintingly for the party at local level since 1964 without either hope or expectation of any form of political preferment, may I use your columns to urge all other Conservative activists and party mem-bers to communicate urgently with their local MPs to tell them their opinion on this issue, as disenchanted activists are poor material for winning battles, pol-

itical or otherwise. In these difficult and dangerous times both at home and especially in Europe where decisions, wrongly made now, can irrevocably and most damagingly affect our long-term future, it is vital that control of events remains in the hands of Mrs Thatcher, who is undoubtedly the coolest politician either the party or the country

I remain, Sir, yours faithfully, A. I. SHENKMAN, 54 St Quintin Avenue, W10. November 10.

From Professor Ben Pimiott Sir, Conservative MPs who are worried lest a challenge to Mrs Thatcher might give comfort to Saddam Hussein and undermine the morale of our troops, as Mr Tom King has warned (report November 12), ought to consider the historical precedent of half a century ago, when the debate on the Norway campaign in May 1940 critically divided the Tory party on the leadership question.

On that occasion, the view that an attack on the prime minister at home was untamount to an attack on British troops in the field was widely carvassed by, among oth-ers. Neville Chamberlain's close adviser Sir Rorace Wilson. Thus the diary of Sir John Colville records for May 8, 1940, the day on which Hitler presented his ultimatum to Holland:

Horace said that what car the greatest anxiety was the en-couragement this debate, with all its indiscretions, would give the enemy and the opportunity they would

Ridley on EMU

From Mrs Barbara Holloway Sir, The shallowness of Mr Ridley's argument about Britain joining the EMU ("Two-speed, with Britain in the lead", November 3) speaks volumes about his attitude to ordinary people. He displays no confidence in our ability ever to match German levels of produc-tivity. The great fallacy in his article, however, lies in his belief that Britain, a trading nation, can, in some way, retain its prosperity by keeping the pound and insulate itself from the effects of its levels

Wanted: organists From Mr Andrew K. Green

Sir, "They seek him (or her) here; they seek him there!" Who? That "elusive organist" so accurately described in your pages in Henry Stanhope's recent article (October 30). We seek him too; I am often approached by local churches to try to find a young player to occupy a vacant organist's post. As a school with a strong association with our local parish church and a long tradition of excellence in music, we echo the aims of the organisers of "National Learn the Organ Year" and I am glad to hear that their scheme

is being so successful.
The Heritage Centre in Macclesfield has recently spent £35,000 in restoring a fine Victorian organ by Samuel Renn, which is now being played regularly by famous or-ganists to packed houses. At the King's School, we are raising £37,500 to install a superb pipeless organ by Makin Organs of Oldham (not Japan!), extensive enough to attract major performers and excite listeners, some of whom we hope will be attracted to the organ bench.

Yours sincerely. ANDREW K. GREEN (Director of Music), The King's School, Macclesfield, Cheshire. November 1.

Anti-hunting Tories

From Dr Patrick Moore Sir, May I finally dispose of the myth that hunting animals with dogs is opposed by only those to the political left? This is quite wrong. Conservatives, too, have in the main turned against this socalled sport. The National Trust vote (reports, November 5) proves this; the Conservative Anti-Hunt Council is gaining support all the time. At last the huntsmen are on

Yours faithfully PATRICK MOORE Farthings, West Street, Selsey, Sussex. have for launching a great attack (as is hourly possible in Holland) now that the whole vigour of the country is bent towards internal political

Such counsels were in vain, A number of Conservative MPs, intent on voting against Chamber-lain or abstaining, attended the debate in full uniform. Others joined them in the "Noes" lobby. After the vote, which went badly for the prime minister, the Hurdfigure of the time, Lord Halifax, refused to accept the premiership. Instead, as German troops in-vaded the Low Countries, Win-ston Churchill formed a new

administration. It is not recorded whether the German Chancellor's reaction to the switch from the ramrod Chamberlain to the maverick Churchill was one of relief or

Yours faithfully BEN PIMLOTT, Birkbeck College, University of London, Department of Politics and Sociology, Malet Street, WC1.

From Mr Nicholas Bennett, MP for Pembroke (Conservative) Sir, Your leader of November 12 must rate as one of the weakest in the 15 years Mrs Thatcher has been party leader. In attempting to goad Michael Heseltine into standing for the leadership of the Conservative party you make no attempt to justify any change in

the premiership.

Michael Heschine has constantly made it clear that he would not challenge the prime minister. To renege on that promise, especially when the country may be on the verge of war and when the party is within 18 months of a general election, would be un-

Nor would such a challenge succeed, if Michael were to obtain enough votes to make the prime minister's position untenable, itself a highly unlikely outcome, he would not win on a second ballot.

I hope that Michael will take the honourable course of action and ignore the siren voices of the media whose main raison d'être seems to be to encourage discord in order to enliven the political scene for their own purposes.

Such a decision would enhance his candidature when a vacancy for the post of leader does occur. Yours faithfully. NICHOLAS BENNETT,

House of Commons. November 13. From Mr Michael Windridge, Sir. I know we are not yet electors

of a presidential democracy, but I rather resent the constitutional entitlement of Conservative MPs apparently to be able to vote out of office the existing prime minister PETER GOBOURN, and vote in - subject to the Sovereign's agreement - another prime minister before the current Par-

of productivity. Were this to be so, one is entitled to ask why it has not worked so far.

The truth is that if we continue to produce less per capita than the Germans, then we will continue to become relatively poorer. The solution lies in our own hands. The strength of the German currency derives from the fact that its goods are so highly regarded that the world is prepared to pay the high prices demanded. Vours faithfully

BARBARA HOLLOWAY, Holloway's Orchard, Hartlip, Kent.

Mobile posters

From Mrs Irene Vaughan Sir, Mr Evan Davies (November 1) does not care to see the gaily painted commercial vehicles plying our roads, referring to them as "mobile posters". Many of these vehicles are owned by their drivers. They cost anything up to £70,000 and their operators lavish as much care and attention upon them as any proud house-owner. My son's vehicle sports a livelylooking robin, not an eyesore surely Mr Davies, in spite of the fact that our local artist has given him legs to rival those of a flamingo? And surely a more cheerful sight than one spotted on the motorway recently, a large plain truck bearing only the glum message: "This costs £3,000 a year road tax."

Yours faithfully, IRENE VAUGHAN, Robin Transport, 7 The Street, Euston, Thetford, Norfolk.

Acupuncture control From Mr Royston Low

Sir, In response to Thomson Prentice's article on the British Medical Acupuncture Society (November 1), I must point out that the British Acupuncture Association & Register, the oldest acupuncture association in the UK, has also always insisted on members having a background knowledge of Western medicine, and that its members are strictly controlled so that the public is fully protected.

The association founded the first college of acupuncture in the UK in 1964, and offers a threeyear part-time postgraduate course leading to the qualification Licentiate in Acupuncture which is open to medical practitioners, dentists, veterinary surgeons, physiotherapists, nurses and other

Letters to the Editor should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number (071) 782 5046.

Common mind on a 'just war'

From the President of the If those Conservative members who are seeking a change are Methodist Conference

Sir. Discussion and definition of iustifiable war" (letters, Novemconfident that another candidate ber 8, 10) must take account of the will be better able to protect and element of "unpredictability" of further UK interests within our European partnership, let them enemy response in a situation ensure the early dissolution of where such a variety of weaponry Parliament by joining with oppo-sition parties in a suitable motion is now possessed around the world and not least in the Middle East. The proportionality of the first strike to the evil being corrected is in the control of the first striker. Those of us who voted for the combative leadership qualities of Mrs Thatcher at the last general The response is not, and guesselection can then endorse or reject work about what that response may be is not helped by the unpredictability of Iraq's present the Conservative parliamentary party's questionable altered judg-

leadership. Nevertheless, the internationally agreed principle that stronger nations must not feel free to annex weaker nations at will, and that tyranny across national borders must not be encouraged, makes it necessary to view war as a defensible last resort.

Iraq's invasion of Kuwait is by no means the only issue at the heart of the current crisis. There is more than one problem to be solved and it is vital at this moment, as we move towards greater awareness of being a world community, not to do anything to undermine the authority and effectiveness of the UN.

War never settles a situation. At best it changes the circumstances for addressing that situation. In the end only political settlements have any chance of lasting. The world is wise to move to the political settlement, by-passing

the war stage, whenever it can. In Britain the time has surely come for Christian leaders and those of other faiths, particularly the Muslim community, formally to meet for conversation on the Gulf crisis, to search for whatever common mind might emerge for an approach to government. It is the task of the politicians to decide these great issues of war and peace, and they deserve the sympathy and understanding of all who choose to offer them advice. It is the task of the rest of us to see that they do so as wisely as possible.

Yours faithfully, DONALD ENGLISH, President, The Methodist Conference, 1 Central Buildings, Westminster, SW1.

From Mr I. A. Shapiro

Sir, Definitions of a "just war" are applicable only to those who start a war; they have no relevance to those attacked. Cardinal Hume (November 8) and others who raised this issue must apply their "just war" criteria to Iraq. Do they consider its war to be "just"? If not, what is their position? Is unjust aggression not to be resisted?

I. A. SHAPIRO, 93 Oakfield Road, Selly Park, Birmingham 29.

Libya and the Gulf From Prince Idris Al Senussi

Sir, It is reported today that Sir Michael Marshall, MP, chairman of the British group of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, has flown to Tripoli for discussions with members of the Libyan "General People's Congress". It appears that the reason for his visit is simply that, with the emergence of the Gulf crisis, Colonel Gadaffi seems retrospectively less extreme.

May I suggest that any justification based on Libya's opposition to the occupation of Kuwait is factually false. Not only has Gadaffi not supported any international action against Iraq, but in August he was quoted as saying "thousands of Libyans flooded into the streets to demonstrate in favour of Saddam Hussein's plans and to offer to fight for Saddam." The last two decades of dictator-

ship in Libya have given no demonstration of any degree of rationality or reason in its leader. When my grandfather, King Idris, was deposed from the throne of Libya in 1970 by one of his colonels, a dictatorship began which was to menace Western democracies and provide sustenance to the terrorist groups operating to undermine them for the next 20 years. Before any further British MPs

visit Tripoli, I would ask them to consider the following questions. Do they believe that Gadaffi now wishes to become a responsible member of the international community? Do they really believe that he will cease, forthwith, the supply of cash and weaponry to the IRA?

Yours faithfully, IDRIS AL SENUSSI, Via In Lucina, 00186 Rome, Italy. November 13.

Toast dilemma

From Mr Edgar W. Goodall Sir, The London Borough of Sutton, ever mindful of the safety and welfare of its tenants, has just installed smoke alarms in the flats in which I enjoy living. I am duly grateful, but there is just one snag. Dark" toast would seem to be a treat of the past. Thanks to modern technology "hot bread" only can figure on the breakfast menu. At any point above this shade and temperature, the apparatus gibbers frighteningly.

Short of removing the alarm battery before switching on the toaster I can't think of any solution.

Yours sincerely, EDGAR W. GOODALL, 4 Mariesford Court, Rectory Lane, Wallington, Surrey.



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE November 13: The Queen was present at a Service in Westminster Abbey this morning on the occasion of the Inauguration of the Fifth General Synod of the Church of England.

Her Majesty was received by the Dean and Chapter of Westminster Abbey and by the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Archbishop of York. At the conclusion of the Service, The Queen proceeded to Church House for the

uguration Ceremony of the Fifth General Synod of the Church of England.

Her Majesty was welcomed the Archbishop of

The Oueen then read the formal Declaration of Inauguration and was graciously pleased to address the Synod. The Archbishop of York replied.
The Lady Susan Hussey, the
Right Hon Sir Robert Fellowes
and Wing Commander David
Walker, RAF, were in

The Hon Mary Morrison has succeeded the Lady Susan Hussey as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.
The Prince Edward, Chair-

man of The Duke of Edin-burgh's Award Special Projects Group, this evening attended a "Magnificent Seven" dinner at the Hyatt Carlton Tower Hotel,

Licutenant-Colonel Sean O'Dwyer was in attendance.
This afternoon the Princess
Royal, Patron, College of
Occupational Therapists, attended a seminar on Disability and Information Technology at IBM, 76 Upper Ground, London SE1.

Afterwards, Her Royal Highness, President, REDR-Engineers for Disaster Relief, attended the Annual General Meeting at the Institution of Civil Engineers, Great George Street, London SWI.

In the evening The Princess Royal attended the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund, Battle of Britain 50th Anniversary Appeal Evening at St James's Palace, London. Mrs Charles Ritchie was in

CLARENCE HOUSE November 13: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this morning unveiled a statue of Sir Winston and Lady Churchill at Chartwell and accepted it on behalf of the National Trust.

Ruth, Lady Fermoy and Sir Martin Gilliat were in The Lady Angela Oswald has succeeded Ruth, Lady Fermoy as Lady-in-Waiting to Her

KENSINGTON PALACE November 13: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, today visited Leeds and was received on arrival by

Lieutenant Commander D. A. Crockatt (Vice-Lord Lieutenant of West Yorkshire). Her Royal Highness visited the headquarters of ASDA

Group plc and was entertained

The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, Presi-dent, The National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, this afternoon visited the Leeds Child Protection Team in Woodhouse Square. Her Royal Highness later visited the Showroom and Headquarters of British Gas plc, North Eastern Region.

The Hon Mr. Whitehead was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE November 13: The Duke of Gloucester this afternoon opened the new offices of Sir William Halcrow and Partners Ltd, High Street, Colchester, and was received by Mr C. J. Holmes (Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Essex). Major Nicholas Barne was in

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

November 13: The Duke of Kent, Patron, this morning presented the British Computer Society Awards at the Waldorf Hotel, London WC2. Captain the Hon Christopher Knollys was in attendance.

he had just made his operatic King Husein of Jordan celebrates his birthday today. debut with the Carl Rosa company. Lewis spoke with little affection of his wartime The Prince of Wales celebrates his birthday today. days spent with Royal Corps

OBITUARIES

Lewis Bach Ensemble

of Signals, or indeed of his pre-

communists among his fel-

Today's royal

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother will attend a service in Coventry Cathedral at 12.30 to mark the 50th anniversary of

the bombing raid on the town.

The Princess Royal, as President of the Royal Association of British Dairy Farmers, will attend a council meeting at 35 Belgrave Square at 10.45.

Princess Alice Duchess of

The Duchess of Kent, as Patron of the Cancer Relief Macmillan

Fund, will visit the Christmas

market at the Royal Horti-cultural Halls at 3.00.

Royal Fine Art Commission Mr Chris Patten, Secretary of State for the Environment, gave

a lecture, "The Role of Govern-ment in Architecture", on Tuesday, at the Royal Fine Art

Diplomatic Corps, members of both Houses of Parliament, officials and local government

representatives, as well as archi-tects and developers.

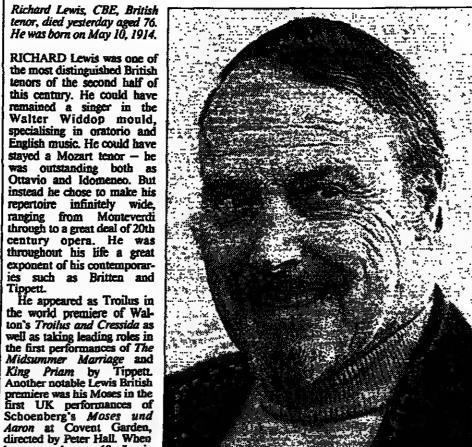
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RICHARD LEWIS Richard Lewis, CBE, British



he was almost 60 Lewis branched out and gathered musicians of the stature of William Bennett and Neil he determined to make the Black to form the Richard most of a world very short of Richard Lewis was born in Manchester. There, and later in London, he studied music. administrator, had a letter He remembered training himfrom a contact in Brussels. self to master complex where Lewis had been starhythms by walking over the irregularly set "syncopated flagstones" of Manchester tioned, recommending an "English tenor who looks wonderful...and has an abpavements without treading solute mastery of Mozart's The second world war came at precisely the wrong time for Glyndebourne debut as the his career. When it broke out Male Chorus in Britten's The Rape of Lucretia and the next year he appeared with the company at the Edinburgh

Don Giovanni. The Mozart lenor had arrived. war period in a humdrum. Glyndebourne was always ing interpretation at the two sons, office job. Throughout that the house with which he was Garden came the following marriage.

Festival as Don Ottavio in

time he had studied music and most closely associated, and when he got his release papers he appeared there season after season right up until the Idomeneo of 1974 when he tenors. The first real break was 60. His elegant good came from Glyndebourne, manners on stage and his Rudolf Bing, then the general unquestioned musicianship fitted in well with the Glyndebourne ambience, especially in Mozart, although he did make excursions into beavier roles such as Bacchus

At Covent Garden he was style". In 1947 Lewis made his always likely to be heard in contemporary opera. He made his debut in 1947 - not 1948 as sometimes stated - when he replaced Peter Pears for a single performance in the title role of Peter Grimes. He was back as Grimes the next season. Probably his outstand-

and Florestan.

season as the troubled Captain Vere in Britten's Billy Budd. It was a part he was to sing all over the world and it says much for Lewis's stamina that he was able to take it over at short notice in 1979 at Covent Garden when the scheduled tenor was ill. He was then 65.

On record Lewis was always happiest with British music. Under Sir John Barbirolli he appeared in a distinguished performance of Elgar's The Dream of Gerontius, alongside Dame Janet Baker. The Times previously saw his Gerontius as continuing a notable line which included Gervase Elwes and said: "He has sufficient dramatic experience to know how the timing of a consonant, the rolling of a word upon the tongue, can make a vocal line instruct with persuasive meaning." With Sir Malcolm Sargent he sang in Gilbert and Sullivan sets. which are among the best available, and was a particularly winning Marco in The Gondoliers. Tippett's A Child of our Time was among his recordings of 20th century music. He was heard in Beethoven and Mozart, but excursions into opera were infrequent despite a brief appearance as the Steuermann in an almost forgotten set of Wagner's Der fliegende Hollander under Dorati.

His American career was substantial, with regular seasons at the San Francisco Opera as well as a great number of appearances in the concert hall. Lewis had a reputation as one of the few international tenors who was able to tackle contemporary nieces. But in 1971 he declared that he had had enough of America and travelling and claimed that he would spend "the last third" of his career in England. And there he was, on band, for Captain Vere eight

He leaves his widow and two sons, one from an earlier

EVE ARDEN

Eve Arden, film and television actress, died on November 12. She was probably 82; her family said she was born on April 30, 1908, though several Eve Arden she was seen in reference books give her year of films as the best friend or big birth as 1912.

A SARDONIC comedicane of many early films, Eve Arden later became immensely successful in the American television series Our Miss Brooks. Last seen on the screen in Grease 11 in 1981 and as the Duchess in Under the Rainbow in 1982, she was born Eunice Quedens in Mill Valley, California. She established an early reputation as a long-legged caustic comic in films of the late 1920s and early 1930s. But she became a television favourite as Connic Brooks, the always joking English teacher in mid-America's Madison High, where she constantly engaged in hilar-ious battles with her stuffy

bearimaster. She was offered the role of the classroom humanist with the smart mouth and warm beart after being heard as radio's Miss Brooks for four years. On radio, she had developed a following of hundreds of teachers across America and had even been offered teaching jobs in real schools. Miss Arden (making \$200,000 a year at that time) did not accept, but she did begin speaking at parent-teacher association meetings. After the television show, for which she won a 1953 Emmy award as best actress in a regular series, went off the air, she appeared briefly in her own The Eve Arden Show, and then teamed with Kaye Ballard in the series The Mothers-in-Law, which ran from 1967 to 1969.

She was first attracted to the theatre when called on to recite in a school production, "From then on," she recalled." "you couldn't keep me out of the school plays, the song and dance skits and anything else." She worked in repertory theatre in San Francisco, dabbled in provincial produc-tions, and landed her first big role in films in 1929 in Song of Love. She was seen at the Pasadena Community Playhouse in suburban Los Angeles and at the El Capitan Theatre in the city in the review Lo And Behold, which also starred a young Tyrone Power, Producer Lee Schubert saw her there and offered a role in the Ziegfeld Follies in New York in 1934. About that

some cosmetics and spotting the names "Evening in Paris" and "Elizabeth Arden". As Eve Arden she was seen in sister of the female lead, offering wisecracks in a deadpan, throwaway manner that ultimately became her public persona and in which manner she was always expected to perform by her audience in her stage and screen appearances. Those closest to her, however, knew her as a warm friend and devoted wife and

mother. In 1945, she was nominated for an Academy Award for supporting actress in the Joan Crawford vehicle Mildred Pierce. She uttered one of the most biting lines in film history when she offered this assessment of Miss Crawford's vitriolic and ungrateful daughter, "Vida's convinced me that alligators have the right idea. They eat their young.

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She appeared in more than 75 films, which she normally refused to see because she said she found them disappointing. They included Stage Door, The Women, Ziegeld Girl, Cover Girl, Night and Day, Voice of the Turtle, Anatomy of a Murder and Dark at the Top of the Stairs. In later years, she made appearances in Steven Spielberg's TV series, Amazing Stories and other television shows on cable. She never regretted, she said in a 1970 interview, not having been a raving beauty.
"I've worked with a lot of great, glamorous girls in the theatre. They would always give their last ounce to get where they wanted to be. And I'll admit I've often thought it would be wonderful to be a femme fatale; but then I'd always come back to thinking that if they only had what I've had - a family, real love, an anchor - they would have been so much happier during all the hours when the marquees and the footlights are

In fact, Miss Arden was being far too modest. As anyone who was fortunate enough to see her earlier films could testify, she was obviously a very attractive woman in her own right, and it just so happened she got the reputation of being clever and amusing with her lines and her career evolved the way it did.

She is survived by two daughters and two sons. Her husband, actor Brooks West, died in 1984.



Forthcoming marriages

Mr R.J. Aey
and Miss A.L. Sexton
The engagement is announced
between Richard, younger son
of Mr and Mrs Richard Aey, of Mr R.S.H. Mackintosia and Miles E.C. Stone Youngstown, Ohio, USA, and Anna, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Martin Sexton, of Harpenden, Hertfordshire.

Mr V.S.C. Coss
and Miss J.M. Wine
The engagement is announced
between Samuel, youngest son
of the late Mr T.P.C. Cuss and of

Mrs D. Cuss, of Wimbledon, London, and Joanna, younger daughter of the late Major J.A.R. Wise and of Mrs M.A. Wise, of Truro, Cornwall. Mr R.J. Dowling and Miss S.L. Fish-Lomes tween Richard, son of the late Mr Howard Dowling and Mrs
Clem Rees, of Melbourne,
Australia, and Sara Louise, only
daughter of Mr A.R. Fish
and Mrs William Lomes, of

Haighton, Lancashire. The Hon J.E.M. Eden and Miss J.J. Spears
The engagement is announced between John (Jack), younger son of Lord Eden of Winton, of Kensington, London, W8, and of Mrs W. Blanshard, of Semley,

Dorset, and Joanna, eldest daughter of Mr Barrie D. Spears, of Hong Kong, and Mrs J.B. Spears, of Guernsey. Mr J.S. Halliday and Miss N. Comerford The engagement is announced between Jonn, younger son of Walter and Sonia Halliday, of Crawley Ridge, Camberley, Surrey, and Nichola, only daughter of John and Adrience

Comerford, of Horsham, and Mins S.C. Bewers The engagement is announced between Adnan, youngest son of the Rev John and Mrs Hardwick, of Hillcroft, Audlem, Cheshire, and Samantha, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Bowers, of Wood End,

Kingswood, Surrey. Mr T.C. Lewington and Miss J.M.H. Davies The engagement is announced between Charles, younger son of Mr Maurice Lewington and the late Mrs Sheila Lewington and stepson of Mrs Fiona Lewington, of Bickley, Kent, and Jessica, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Davies, of Chipstead, Surrey.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Robert Fulton, pioneer of the steamboat, Lancaster
County, Pennsylvania, 1765; Str
Charles Lyell, geologist,
Kinnordy, Tayside, 1797; John
Curwen, music teacher, the
founder of the tonic sol-ia
system, Heckmondwike, Yorkshire. 1816: Claude Moort shire. 1816; Claude Monet, 60; Mr Harold Larwood, crick-painter, Paris, 1840; Pandit cter, 86; Sir Joseph Lockwood, Jawaharal Nehru, first prime former chairman, EML 86; Air minister of India, 1947-64, Al-Marshal Sir Richard Nelson, 83; lahabad, 1889. Sir Frederick Sir Dudley Smith, MP, 64; Sir Banting, physician, Nobel laure-ate 1923, Alliston, Ontano, Williams, former MP, 68.

DEATHS: Thomas ("Old") Part (born 1483?). London 1635; Nell Gwyn, actress, mistress of Charles II, London, 1687; Gottfried Leibniz, philosopher, Hanover, 1716; Georg Wilhelm Hegal, philosopher, Berlin, 1831; John Abercrombie, phy-sician, Edinburgh, 1844; Frederick Sleigh Roberts, 1st Earl Roberts, field-marshal, Saint-Omer, France, 1914; Hector Munro (Saki), writer, killed in action, France, 1916; Manuel de Falla, composer, Alta Gracia, Argentina, 1946; May Sinclair, novelist, 1946; Mrs Belloc Lowndes, novelist, Eversley Cross, Hampshire, 1947.

Caseytown, Tavistock, Devon, and Emma Chrisuna, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs M.J. Stone, of The Cider House, Buckland Abbey, Yelverton,

The engagement is announce between Jeremy John, son of Mr and Mrs Stefan Moczerski, of Wimbledon, and Sarah Elizabeth Emma, daughter of Mr and Mrs Edward Westmore, of Ashampstead, Berkshire.

Mr D.P. O'Neil Minn S.M. M

Lawson-Tancred

Montgreenan, Ayrshire, and Fincila, only daughter of Sir Henry Lawson-Tancred, Bt, and the late Lady (Jean Veronica) Lawson-Tancred, of Aldborough, North Yorkshire.

Mr J.D.H.B. Rottunes Andrew's House, Eastleach, Gloucestershire, and Lucy, second daughter of Professor and Mrs Keith Middlemas, of Westburton House, Westburton, West Sussex.

Mr J.M. Sandison and Miss L.A. Finlayson

Edinburgh.

and Mrs Richard Yeoward, of Pulford, Chester, and Marianne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs

Birthdays today

14th/20th King's Hussars Major-General Sir Michael Palmer, Colonel of the 14th/20th King's Hussars, prosided at the annual officers' dinner held last night at the Cavalry and Guards Club.

Moffats School Bewdley

The engagement is announced between Ross, son of Mr and Mrs J.R. Mackintosh, of Erich Heller, critic of modern German literature and thought, died in Evanston near Chicago on November 5, aged 79. He was born on March 27,

Mr J.J. Moczarski and Miss S.F.E. Westmore

The engagement is announced between David, son of Professor and Mrs R. O'Neil, of Southfields, Wimbledon, and

Susan Mary, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.R. Morris-Eyton, of Beckside, Millom, Cumbria. Mr N.S. Orr and Miss F.M.R.

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, younger son of the late Mr George Alistair Orr and of Mrs Orr, of Masterstands

The engagement is announced between James, only son of Mr and Mrs George Rothman, of St

The engagement is announced between James MacGregor, son of Mr and Mrs Ian Sandison, of

Kirriemuir, Angus, and Lesley Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Finlayson, of

Gloucester, as President of the Queen's Nursing Institute, will attend the annual meeting at 3 Albemarie Way, Clerkenwell, at Mr R.R.N. Yeeward and Miss M.S. Dodd The engagement is announced between Rupers, elder son of Mr The Duke of Kent, as President of the Chest, Heart and Stroke Association, will open the new premises in Whitecross Street, EC1, at 11.05; and open the new Epsom and Ewell Community Hospital in Epsom at 2.30.

Anthony Moreton Dodd, of Ruthin, North Wales.

Service dinner

NSPCC Miss Jean Rook will open the NSPCC Christmas Bazaar at the Park Lane Hotel on Monday, Sir Thomas Hetherington presided at the annual dinner of the November 19. It will be open Old Rugbeian Society held at the Law Society last night. Mr

Former pupils (1934 on) not yet in touch about Register, please note deadline of November 27. Telephone: 029 924 285.

ERICH HELLER

teacher began in wartime Cambridge, where he taught German for the London School of Economics (then evacuated to Cambridge) and for Peterhouse. His university ERICH Heller was born in the lectures on German literature then German-speaking north in the twentieth century were of Bobernia and studied law at among the first of their kind in the German University of the country. In 1948 he was Prague. During this time he appointed head of the German was active in the Social Demodepartment at University cratic party and in its oppo-College, Swansea, and two

sition to the Sudeten German nationalists. Some months last boats to leave the Polish 1939. He spent the first months of the war in a bostel after the war.

adaptations. years later became its first professor of German. He mould (their exchange of views is recorded in The post in 1960 of Prague in March 1939 he on moving to Northwestern Disinherited Mind). Averse to

Dinners

The Hon Douglas Hogg, QC, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, presided at a dinner given by Her Majesty's Government last night at Lancaster House in honour of Mr Tadeusz Syryjczyk, Polish Minister for Industry.

Mr Kenneth Carlisle, Parlia-

mentary Under-Secretary of State for Defence Procurement,

presided at a dinner given by the Air Force Board at RAF Bentley

Priory last night. The guests

WEIG:
The High Commissioner for New Zealand, Viscount De L'Bie, VC, Lord Zealand, Viscount De L'Bie, VC, Lord Commissioner de la Commissione del Commissione de la Commissione

Professor David Mason, president, and members of the General Dental Council held a

dinner last night at 37 Wimpole Street. The principal guests were Lord Butterfield and Mr G.I. de Deney, Clerk of the Privy Council.

Miss Heather Couper was the

guest speaker at a dinner given by the Women's Advertising Club of London at the Savoy Hotel last night, Miss Pamela

Dimmock, president, was in the

Conservators on November 8.

Mr Hugh Berridge, Master, presided. The guests included the Master of the Company of Watermen and Lightermen, the Master of the Guid of Freemen

of the City of London and the Master of the Guild of

chair.

Firefighters.

Commission's headquarters, 7
St James's Square. Lord St John
of Fawsley was in the chair and deart of the Polish National

received the guests at the reception for Environmental tion afterwards. Among those Protection, was the principal

present were members of the guest and speaker at the annual Government, members of the dinner of the Guild of Water

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His career as a university founded. Among Heller's writings are The Ironic German: a Study of Thomas Mann (1958), The Artist's Journey into the Interior (1965), the Modern Masters volume on Kafka (1974), and more recently his collections of essays In the Age of Prose (1984) and The Importance of Nietzsche (1988). All these books were also published in German in his own translations and

was helped by British Quakers University at Evanston, where all technical jargon, he was to escape, sailed on one of the eventually he held a "distin- intent on presenting poetic guished professorship in the form as both an individual port of Gdynia, and arrived at humanities". He never re- and a collective cultural Tower Bridge on August 26, nounced his British national- achievement. Culture, he ar-A wonderful reconteur of ironic anecdotes, Heller of essays to Michael granted; whereas German litedighted in describing the Oakeshott's Cambridge Jourdisbelieving reactions of the nal, and these he collected in The Disinherited Mind (1952), unspoken, unrecorded agree-

Marmaduke Hussey, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the BBC, proposed the health of the school. Mr Michael Mavor, who

school. Mr Michael Mavor, who took over as beadmaster of the school in September, replied. Mr Alan McLintock, chairman of the governing body, was among the 180 Old Rugbeians present at the dinner.

Ryton Police Training Centre
Chief Superintendent V.J.
Hookins, Commandant of the
Ryton Police Training Centre,
presided at a dinner of training
staff at the centre last night.
Twenty-five members of staff
were present to install a signed
portrait of The Queen. A message of loyal streetings was sent to

age of loyal greetings was sent to The Queen and a reply was read.

HM Government
The Hon Douglas Hurd,
Secretary of State for Foreign
and Commonwealth Affairs

and Mrs Hurd held a fareweil

luncheon yesterday at 1 Cariton Gardens in honour of the

French Ambassador and Vicomtesse Luc de La Barre de

Sir Marcus Fox, MP, was the guest of honour at a luncheon of the First Day Cover Club held yesterday at the Reform Club to

mark the issue of the Christmas

stamps. Mr Keith McDowall

The City Liaison Group held a luncheon on Tuesday, Novem-ber 13, at The Brewery, Chiswell

Street, London, EC1. The Right Hon Viscount Whitelaw, CH,

was the guest of bonour and Mr Francis Sitwell was in the chair.

Airey Neave Trust
The Hon Str Adam Butler,
Chairman of the Airey Neave
Trust, and Mr Kenneth Kemp

received the guests at a recep-tion held last night at 2 Temple Place to introduce a project involving Somalis in Tower

Luncheons

First Day Cover Club

was in the chair.

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beginning of this process. The loss of traditional values this "disinheritance" brought with it Heller saw among the preconditions of the berberities of recent German history, yet he also acknowledged it as the source of great artistic interest and originality. If in the English-speaking world twentieth-century German literature is appreciated as an integral part of the modernist movement, then it is to Heller Heller was a critic in Eliot's that credit for this achievement is largely due.

A large number of students in England, the United States and Germany bear witness to Heller's devotion as a teacher and lecturer, but it was through his essays and books ity, which he had acquired gued, is the agreement to ask that he reached a wider public; certain fundamental questions and such was his felicity of During his Cambridge days and to take the answers to style that less than 10 years after beginning to write in English, he found passages from his essay on Karl Kraus quoted at length by Hugh MacDiarmid. To say that poet low-exiles on hearing the first a book that has seen many ment. In some of Heller's and critic did not share the news of the German-Russian editions and on which his finest essays Goethe figures as same political views would be reputation as a critic is the conservative senius at the an understatement.

University

Elections
THE QUEEN'S COLLEGE
To an instrumental endubition:
Caroline Southill, formerly of Rigon
Grammar School.

BALLIOL COLLEGE
Scholarships: Georgios Alexandraids, formerly of Albens College (Marridov scholarship); Andrew Citve Jumes Bechet; formerly of Marthorough College (Brakenbury); Adam Gulliver Bereford, formerly of Westminster School, Landon (Reprocidal; Nigel Golfon School worth, formerly of Golfon School worth, formerly of Golfon School worth, formerly of Grackers, Mark James Durm, formerly of Arnold School, Beackburn (Markby); Alistair McLean Ferule, formerly of St Pater's School, York (Markby).

Larraine Denise Frost, formerly of West Astroy Grat Chemman School (Brackbury); Anna Rachel Holland, School (Brackbury); Anna Rachel Holland, School (Beachbury); Justin Peter Dean Jackson, formerly of Portsmouth Gramman School (FletCher); Katherine Joanna Jamisson, formerly of Colderstones (Coldenship); Sedmouth; School, Formerly of Portsmouth); Sedmouth Jamisson, formerly of Winchester College (Bracksnabury).

Mark Richard Boster, formerly of Minchester College (Bracksnabury).

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Hutammad Alchaeur Rahman, formerly of Hampstand School Selection
Robes Taylor, formerly of
Risking Brook Haja School, Saliford
(Second Robes Hollway): Jonethun
Richard Watson, formerly of Loughborough Grammar School, Lawrence
Woodley, formerly of Highpate
School, London (Mount Jones).

Exhibitions
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Exhibition): Sara Jane Bradford,
formerty of Merian RC Hoph School,
Wirral Second Robbs Hollway);
Charles Linton Brayne, formerty of
Queen Eiszabeth's Crammar School,
Barlot, formerty of Reading Blue Cost
School (Williams); Maria Victoria
Teresa Saran Buttery, fortnerty of
Queen Mary's High School (Carla),
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Claire Harriet Jame Goodwin, for-

news

BALLIOL COLLEGE

Church news

New Bishop of Barking

The Ven Roger Frederick Sainsbury, Archdeacon of West Ham, has been appointed Bishop Suffragan of Barking, diocese of Chelmsford, in succession to the Right Rev J. W. Roxburgh, who resigned last dincomb.

years in urban ministry, serving in east London, Everton and Walsall, in the West Midlands.

St Edmundsbury and inswich: to be Rector. Brantham w Shutton. same diocrete. The Rev Canon Chyndwr Jones. The Rev Canon Chyndwr Canon Chemphalip R J Lune. The Rev Canon Chyndry Canon Charles. St Dohn Baptist. Middleton Scrivers St John Baptist. St Midney St Mockey. St Peter. Charles Scrivers and Middleton Scrivers. St Midney St Mockey. St Midney St Midney

Mr Christopher Robinson, organist and master of chonsters, St George's Chapel, Windters, St George's Chaper, wind-sor, has been appointed organist and director of music at St John's College, Cambridge, from next October. He will succeed Dr George Guest, who has held that post for 40 years.

The archdeacon has spent 30

Other appointments

Sheffield: to be also a Chaplan to HM The Queen. The Rev Jobahlman P Shieler, Assistant Curate, Crists Church, Waltham Cross, diocese London, to be Assistant Curate, Chalford S Peter, with special responsibility for All Saints, Ovahway, diocese Conford.

Christening

The infant daughter of Major and Mrs D.H. Farquharson was and Mrs D.H. Farquharson was christened Sophie Henrietta Jane at St Mary's, Little Driffield, on Sunday, November 11. The Rev Mark Simon officiated and the godparents are Mr Gordon Dickie, Mr Hugh Humfrey, Mr Mark Tufnell, Mrs Simon Robertson-Macleod. Mrs Andrew Philips Macleod, Mrs Andrew Phillips and Miss Sara Gray.

Lincoln (not London, as previously stated). The Rev Desmand B TBlyer, Vicar, St Peter. Exton Square. Glocuse London: to continue as Arms Desmand of res-minister St Margaret until 31 May 1992

Resignations and retirements
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Other appointment The Rev Maccoim C Carrott. Baptist
Minister, Thomas Helvys Baptist
Church, Church Street, Lenton, Notthisham: to be Local Development
Officer. Church of England and
Diccrease Board set Special England
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Appointments

Latest appointments include: Lord Ross to be Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 1991. The Hon Sir Adem Butler to be chairman of the Airey Neave Trust.

Mr Robert Ricks to be Legil Adviser to the Department of Education and Science.



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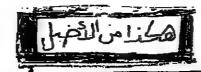
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> The proposed corporation would be governed by a board of directors appointed by the Government and would submit an annual report and statement of accounts to the Postmaster-General, who would pre them to Parliament. Like the BBC, the corporation would be given independence in the handling of day-to-day matters, including individual

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Combining the controlling body — the corporation — with the owner-ship of the transmitting station and other fixed assets, including, perheps, a minimum of studio accom-modation, would in the Govemment's opinion be the best means of safe-guarding standards of tasts. The corporation would have "a flamble control over the programme companies, whose contract could be more easily modified or terminated since they would not have invested

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As regards advertisements, the corporation would have to agree with the Postmaster-General the conditions it would impose, including the distinction between what is presented as an advertisement and

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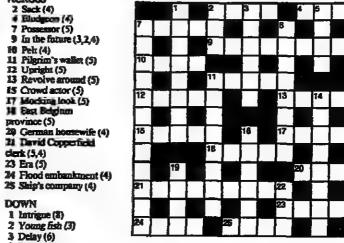


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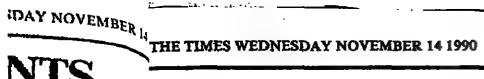
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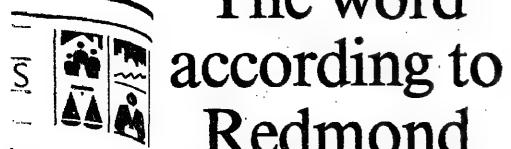
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beathen is, indeed, Mr Redmond, he would be amused by the distinction. Rohigious categorising aside, Mr Red-mond, "committed Scouser" (his words) and head of a company

raise £10 million.
The question of exactly where which ran a series on every television channel this year, sees his ary and missionary in a city which some might say is more Suggestions by everyone from arts administrators to newspaper edi-

in need than ever of religious zeal. The centre will provide a threescreen arts cinema (Mr Redmond siready has backing from the British Film Institute; surpris-ingly, there is no permanent arts cinema west of Manchester), a gallery, television studios, editing suites, shops, a library and a case which "will not serve dry rice and seawcod. The centre should be a drop-in venue for kids, not an arts citadel," Mr Redmond says. His vision is of a national complex, based in Liverpool, and

Close lipped: Phil Redmond refuses to link the media centre with any ambitions for Channel 5 linked to the national carriculum by a media studies course, , Liverpool's polytechnic and univ-ersity, and, through its courses, to the national arts centres. Above all, he plans a practical approach.
"I want to get rid of the magic and

mystery surrounding the media, and bring a business ethic to Scousers," be says.

Although the centre does not yet have a building, it exists as a business, and Mr Redmond has an

controllers, newspaper editors and commissioners, invited to Liverpool this autumn. Many of these, he feels, are people who persist in taking the view that the business "operates within a half-mile radius of Charing Cross". He has a point; there was a recent case of a journalist from one of the "qual-nies", who thought the Liver Building, spotted on a live show, was a painted backdrop in a studio

BROOKSIDE

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The ambitions are admirable.

"up" the media profile of Liverpool, and win those of influence to its charms? And if Channel 5 were to go elsewhere, might the media centre suffer? Not at all, Mr Redmond says. His Channel 5 bid has "no link at

few), a manifestation of his desire

all with the media centre. The building would be quite inappro-priate for the siting of a channel, it is a stand-alone operation. This is not part of one great design."

Justin Dukes, whose European Community Industries Consortium (ECIC) is contemplating Edinburgh as a site for its bid, has said that "Redmond is not the only one using the prospect of a media centre to raise the professor that location", but Mr Redmond, sitting tight in Brookside Close, is

having none of it. He even suggested that his bid might not involve Liverpool at all: "The closest I will go to being specific, is that we are interested in the trans-Pennine area above Birmingham. The important thing about the bid is to get the programme and iness plans sorted first, the geography sec-ond. The only link I can see between the Channel 5, is that, if I were head, I would

say 'yes' a lot faster to broadcasting programmes made by young people, programmes which could come from the media

Could there be a touch of Liverpool's great history of patriarchs? "I don't see myself as Tate
& Lyle ... yet," Mr Redmond
says, dismissing carping about his
motives, his ego and his growth as
Mcrseyside's media mogul.

As the guitar n hymnal bri-gade in Central Hall breaks for sandwiches, the Redmond bandwagon presses on, deciding finally on a site at the end of the month. All Mr Redmond will say about his new project is that "it aims to show people that Michael Checkland is only a guy from Birmingham".

element in advertising regula-tions," Mr Paterson says. "Environmentalists ensure that the issue gets to the public arena and that can be a form of punishment." Mr Paterson also points out that the system is due to change and that it will not be long before television companies are solely responsible for vetting, "It will be up to them, not us, to see that advertisers do not break the rules. We have a current range of sanctions for those who do, and there is a new code in draft form which will come in to effect next year."

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Wrong ban by judge

JUDGE Michael Mander was wrong to ban the BBC, Central Television and Signal Radio (2 Staffordshire station) from broadcasting reports of a fraud and corruption trial, the Court of Appeal has ruled. Chief Justice Lord Lane said the ban, under the 1981 Contempt of Court Act, was unnecessary and "unfairly dis-criminated" between broadcast media and the press. Bans may be "substantial risk" of prejudice to justice. Judge Mander said that although reports were "unlikely" to prejudice the trial, it would be an imposition on the jury if they were not able to relax and watch television or radio. The Court of Appeal said he failed to take proper account of freedom of expression and the open administration of justice.

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A fine mess?

BBC Select, the new all-night specialist pay-television service on BBC1 and BBC2, might be regu-lated by the Independent Tele-vision Commission (ITC) if it transmits on cable television when it launches next September. BBC Select will be broadcast in encrypted form through the night and be recorded automatically on the VCRs of subscribers who pay for a decoder. As most of its educational, leisure and community services output is to be made independent producers, the ITC is likely to be empowered to regulate programmes aired by cable operators. "The prospect of the ITC being able to fine the BBC is interesting," says a spokesman for the Cable Authority, which becomes part of the ITC in

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citizens, still concerned about the environment. A voice-over said that company forestry policies "are helping to counter the green-house effect". Friends of the Earth reached for the telephone.

It complained to the IBA on August 10, and on November 9, it was told that the advertisement was to be withdrawn. "It is very gratifying," says Blake Lee-Harwood, from Friends of the Earth. "But the advertisement should never have been passed in

A misleading Andrex campaign has focused attention on 'green' advertising on television

the first place. The IBA tries to be even-handed, but the greenhouse effect and carbon sequestration [trees sucking up carbon dioxide] are complicated issues, and it is hardly surprising that it makes Friends of the Earth wants more

Smart Paterson, of the IBA, says that the authority already has experts, some of whom dealt with the case of the Andrex advertise-ment. "The IBA can call on a whole range of consultants," he says. "They tell us whether or not

the advertiser is talking mumbo-jumbo. Claims are examined both

at script stage and at finished film. More time is now spent evaluating specifically green claims."

Friends of the Earth complains, however, that the Andrex adver-

but rumours abound, thanks to

Mr Redmond's well-publicised

desire to win the franchise for

Channel 5. Does Mr Redmond, like the Sheffield contingent whose Audio-Visual Enterprise

Centre is at the forefront of another bid for Channel 5, feel

that the presence of a media centre

might sweeten the idea of

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tisement was withdrawn only after it was screened for three months. It wants companies to be compelled to take advertisements which set the record straight in national newspapers.

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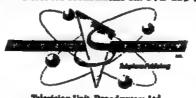
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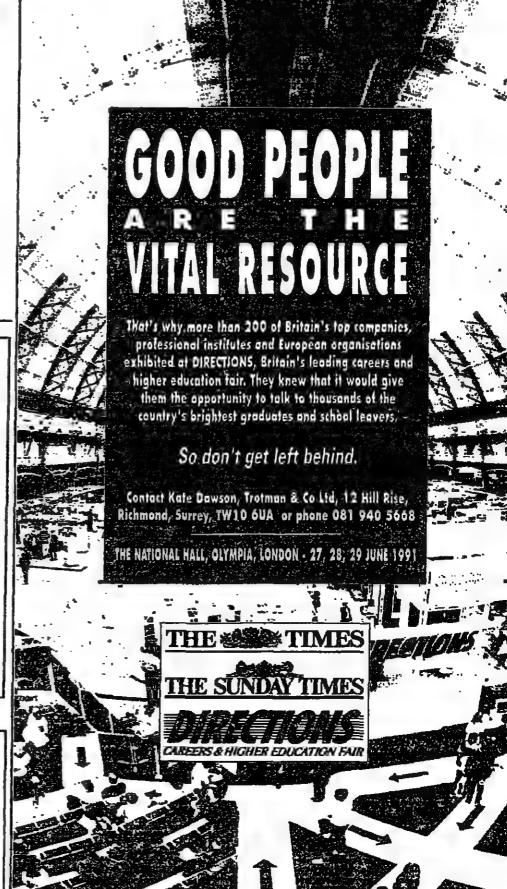
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A case of man v. wife

Is it time to change the law and force one

spouse to testify against the other in a

criminal case? Heather Kirby reports

hen Jacqui Marsh, the wife of the boxer Terry, exercised her right not to give evidence for the prosecution during the trial in which he was acquitted of attempting to murder his former manager, Frank Warren, she was acting under a law which regards what is said between husband and wife as sacrosance. The law is based on the belief that so much human happiness is invested in marriage that its inviolability has to

considerations. One consequence of protecting the secrets of the bedroom was a stand-off approach to marital rape. What went on between a husband and wife was something private, in which the state should not interfere. Now that privacy

be protected. The harm that could be

caused by forcing a husband or wife to

give evidence against the other is

deemed to outweigh all other

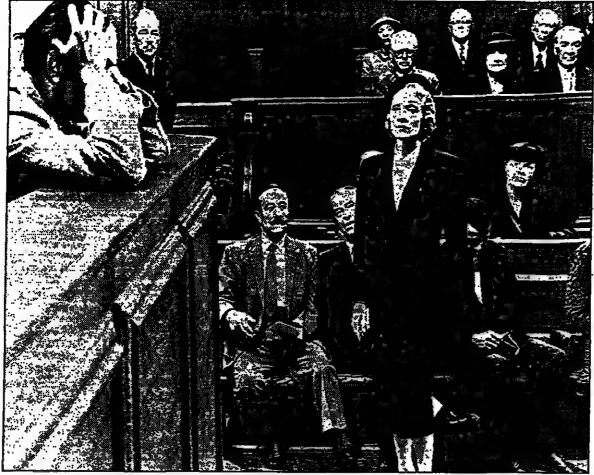
is to be invaded.

Last week the Law Commission issued a working paper called "Rape Within Marriage", in which it pro-visionally recommends that marital immunity should be abolished. The 140-page, green-bound paper has been sent to several hundred organisations. ranging from groups of housewives to law schools and equal opportunities organisations. Groups thought likely to make a positive contribution to the debate get a free copy; others can buy it from Stationery Office bookshops.

Alan Cope, speaking for the Law Commission, says that although the booklet was written by lawyers, they have tried to avoid legal jargon so that the general public will understand it and respond. A factual account by a wife who has been raped by her husband, and a description of how she felt about it, would provide, he says, valuable first-hand evidence. The deadline for contributions is next March, and he anticipates the commission will not be able to get a report out before the end of next year. Government legislation making rape within marriage a crime is unlikely, if it comes at all, before 1992.

Ruth Hall of Women Against Rape, a national organisation which has been lobbying since 1977 to make marital rape a crime, says she is "delighted" with the commission's approach. "They have mentioned many times the absolutely crucial question of a woman's financial dependence on her husband," she says. "In 1985 we conducted a survey called Ask Any Woman, and discovered that one in seven married women claimed they had been raped by their husbands, and 79 per cent said they were prevented from leaving by lack of money and housing. It is the most

common form of rape. There is no excuse for delaying legislation." The Law Commission agrees that it cannot be presumed that rape is less damaging inside than outside marriage, and Denise Kingsmill, a civil harassment cases and who has successfully prosecuted rapists for damages, believes it may be much worse. "A woman suffers an immense sense of betrayal and great confusion when she is raped by her husband," she says. "If she is raped by a stranger leaping out of the dark there is no confusion about her feelings, but to be treated in a vicious and cruel way by a man she once cared for may cause



Her word against his: Marlene Dietrich gives evidence against her "husband" in Witness for the Prosecution

more psychological injury. Hate can be a healthy emotion in such circum-stances, but a wife may not even be able to hate her hutband."

Mrs Kingsmill acknowledges it be difficult to prosecute a marital rape in many circumstances, since forensic details would be irrelevant and there may not be any physical evidence that consent to intercourse was not given. In her experience, however, it is usually accompanied by something irrefut-able, such as a broken jaw.

The question of whether a wife should be compelled to give evidence against her husband, even if she does not want to, is also debatable. Robert Roscoe, a spokesman for the London Criminal Courts Solicitors' Association, says: "It works both ways, for the prosecution or defence. You may have a client who is accused of burglary, who claims he was at home playing cards with his wife at the time the crime was committed, but he doesn't want his wife to be called. There is a general view among people that even if you did call a wife or

husband, lover or close relation, in the words of Mandy Rice Davies, well they would say that, wouldn't they? They are perceived as not being the most reliable witnesses."

The clause which means a husband or wife cannot be compelled to testify against the other does not apply where matrimonial violence is involved. If for example, a wife is assaulted by her husband, she could be a crucial witness and might be compelled to give evidence against him in a subsequent court case.

The Law Commission says in Rape Within Marriage: "We would ... welcome comment on whether it should be made explicit that in a charge of rape the wife can be compelled to give evidence for the prosecution, a matter that is not wholly clear in the present law, or alternatively whether she should be able to refuse to give evidence. In our view, the general policy that led to the wife being compellable in cases of violence against her should apply in the case of rape. In particular, we think that it is a protection of the wife against some of the pressures that may apply in any case involving intimates whether married or not, that at the end of the day she has in law no choice as to whether or not to testify."

John Clitheroe, a senior criminal law partner at Kingsley Napley, says: "The indivisibility of husband and wife underpins our marriage laws. They are regarded as one, but that indivisibility is shattered by cruel treatment. Even if couples are separated, a wife or husband cannot be compelled to give evidence against his or her partner on the grounds that it might affect a reconciliation. Our common law rule is beavily in favour of the preservation of marriage. suspect that a wife would be reluctant to bring a charge of rape against her husband unless it was accompanied by real brutality, because daughters have been, until very recent times, conditioned to believe the man is entitled to have his way."

● Rape Within Marriage costs £5.50 from Stationary Office bookshops or from the Law Commission, 37 John Street, Theobalds Road, WCIN 2BQ.

Who went to Russia with Reagan's love?

n the Sixties Suzanne Massic was told by the White House that she knew more Soviet citizens personally than any other American. In the Eighties she advised President Reagan on Soviet affairs (she had 18 meetings with him in four years, a period in which five national security advisers came and went). When the Soviet shooting-down of a Korean airliner in 1983 led to a collapse in communication between the two great powers, Mrs Massie went to Moscow and was instrumental in the resump-

tion of dialogue. Mrs Massie has just spent a few days with her publishers in London, en route to Leningrad. Her latest book is out this week. Pavlovsk: The Life of a Russian Palace is not just the history of a palace, and not only of interest to architectural historians; it is also a history of Russia in microcosm.

Created by Catherine the Great's daughter-in-law, Maria Feodorovna, Pavlovsk, near Leningrad, was lived in by the royal family, loved as a public park and occupied and destroyed by the Nazis. Soon after the war the Pavlovsk museum's curator, Anna Iva-novna Zelanova, badgered money from a government which could ill afford it, but which fortunately shared the general Russian pride in the past. Mrs Zelanova managed the massive restoration programme, carried out by craftsmen who often learnt 18th century techniques to do the work. Mrs Massie saw Pavlovsk on her first visit to the Soviet Union, and has wanted to write its history for 14

She has divided her allegiance between the great powers for the best part of her life. Now in her sixtles, she lectures at Harvard, and is the first westerner to buy a private apartment in Leningrad. How has this grandmother - who only learnt Russian in her thirties - managed to be both adviser to a president and so at home in the Soviet Union?

he starting point was her Swiss mother, who visited Russin as a child to convalence with family friends. But this was the summer of 1914; wer and then revolution trapped her for six years, until she escaped. "Your first fairy-tales are so

important," Mrs Massie says,
"mine were all Russian."
Her parents moved to
America, and Mrs Massie
studied English literature, history and French at Vassar and the Sorbonne. She got a job with Time-Life as a researcher and married the writer Robert

Mr Massie was writing a book about Nicholas and Alexandra, and the couple surance to visit Leningrad. Mrs Massie determined to write a book about the young poets she met there; by now fluent in Russian, she visited twice a year for several years until, in 1972, The Living Mirror was published. But the atmosphere was changing. Leonid Brezhnev was battening down the hatches, and

How childhood fairy-tales led

Suzanne Massie to be a White House

Kremlinologist

Mrs Massie's visa was revoked. In the 11 years she was exiled, as she puts it, she wrote another book on Russia and gave lectures on Soviet art at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. She still had many friends in the Soviet Union, and was increasingly consulted by the American military: "They thought culture was important, because culture is

what people fight for." After enlisting the help of various senators, and signing a copy of one of her books for Yuri Andropov, she returned to Russia. The Korean airliner had just been shot down, Andropov was dying, and talks between the US and the Soviet Union had foundered. "I went to the USA Institute (the top place for American strategic studies] to thank them for the help they had given me to get my visa back, and was talking about cultural really very senior there said

with eyes blazing, "You don't know how close we are to

Deciding this was "some thing more than their usual truculence", Mrs Massie determined to try to meet President Reagan and plead for the resumption of dialogue. She was given a 20minute meeting with one of the president's national security advisers, then asked back for two hours. "I suggested that since the only opening might be a cultural agreement, they should send me." At Christmas she got the call to go, but insisted on seeing the president first. "I explained that the Russians are very personal, and all the presidents' men don't add up to the president. On January 17, 1984, I was ushered in and spoke to him for 45 minutes." Mrs Massie continued to see

him over the next four years. giving him "the proverb he liked so much - trust but verify". She considers Mr Reagan a. man "who understood himself and his limitations, and was comfortable with them. He had his ego firmly in place." She has no dealings with the current administration. Tow separated from her

husband, Mrs Massie is contemplating writing again. "I've always hated kiss-and-tell journalism. Only now Reagan has gone do I think the time might be right. to write down this bit of

history."
Her discretion paid dividends: she was able to stroll into high-level White House. meetings many times, unnoticed by reporters. "As a woman you can walk past all. these people and they don't see you," she says; "they assume you are a secretary."

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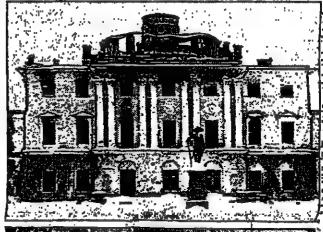
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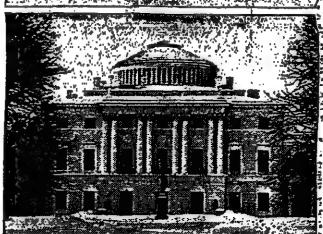
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People's glory: the restoration of the palace at Pavlovak reflects the history of Russis itself

ADULTERERS IN THE DOCK

IN NATHANIEL Hawthorne's The Scarlet Letter, the young adultress Hester Prynne is sentenced to wear a scarlet A as a token of her sin. Pirst published in 1850, the novel is now taught in American high schools as a classic study of bygone American puritanism.

The classes could now be supplemented by newspaper accounts of present-day adultery prosecutions, a new phenomenon in modern America as puritanism reasserts itself. In several recent cases, spurned husbands - and one wife have used archaic laws to prosecute their partners for adultery. The first of these latter-day morality tales involved Donna Carroll, aged 28, the wife of a lorry driver from Wisconsin who became too friendly with another driver.

After suing for divorce, her husband, Robert, invoked a years' imprisonment and a \$10,000 (£5,000) fine for adultery. Mrs Carroll, who denied she had betrayed her husband, elected to avoid a trial by agreeing to perform 40 hours' community service and attending two months of classes on how to be a successful parent to her son.

Soon there were copy-cat prosecutions, particularly in suburban Connecticut, where enthusiastic prosecutors have lodged four complaints since summer. In June, a local dignitary who returned home to find his wife in bed with another man sought redress through criminal law. Within weeks, a betrayed Connecticut woman organised

the arrest of both her husband and his mistress. A young

bride was arrested for a separate infidelity.

The spate of cases has forced American constitutional lawyers to debate the so-called "right to sexual privacy".

The Supreme Court recently ruled that the right did not extend to homosexuals who wanted to be protected from Georgia's ban on sodomy. But now it seems that heterosexuals' rights might be similarly limited by marriage.

MARRIAGE laws in the United States vary from state to state, but are generally more liberal than those in Britain. Only one state, Illinois, refuses to recognise rape within marriage, and frequently spouses are granted immunity from having to testify against their partners in criminal proceedings. But civil rights lawyers argue that the old adultery laws should be declared unconstitutional. And in both Wisconsin and Connecticut, state legislators are considering their repeal.

Nevertheless, there remains a bedrock of support. "This is clearly a much more religious country than Britain, so there may be much more support for adultery prosecution," says Alison Wetherfield, a legal expert at the National Organisation for Women's Legal Defence and Education Fund. "It is probably causing a lot of people in Connecticut to think twice before they book motel rooms."

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The guides are the brainchild of Debbie Slyper and Joan Summerfield, two working women who used to produce similar leaflets for people moving home, until that market stagnated. They are planning a number of other 'tightlyguide entitled It's Your Affair, which is "on arranging weddings and bar-mitzvahs, and aimed at the Jewish commu-

nity", Ms Slyper says. Helping Hands Information Services, 99 Theobald Street, Borehamwood, Hertfordshire WD6 4PT (081-953 8444).

Food with teeth ALLIGATOR and "hush puppies" should shortly be available from local takeaways, to iudge from the offerings at the 1990 Fast Food Fair at Brighton this week. Cajun cuisine, including such dishes as gumbo, jambalaya, "dirty rice" and "blackened" fish and chicken, has proved a best-seller, with sales tripling during the past few months For the record, the alligator is genuine but the "puppies" are deep-fried commeal.

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Realistic portrait: engraving of Henry VIII by Cornelis Matsys

Power and the glory distilled in paint

he 500th anniversary of the birth of Henry VIII next June will find Butain bereft of the most firmous contemporary portrait of that great mon-arch. By then, Hans Holbein the Younger's picture, which normally can be found in Baron Thyssen-Bornemisza's collection in Lugano, Switzerland, will be on show in Spain. But there is some solace for devotees of Henry VIII portraiture. Between now and April 14, Baron Thyssen has lent the portrait to Hampton Court Palace to form the centrepiece of the exhibition Henry VIII—Images of a Tudor King.

It is, in a sense, an horse docurre for the exhibitions which will follow next here. For although

will follow next year. For although the small, tightly cropped portrait (it measures only 28 x 20cm) was included in the exhibition Old Master Paintings from the Thys-sen-Bornemism Collection shown at The Royal Academy in 1988, it is the first time that the portraits that built the image of Henry VIII as a supreme royal prince have been shown together. Born on June 28, 1491; Henry lived until 1547, achieving the age and which was also adopted by his more flamboyant son.

of 56, which at that time would

have been considered old. He

acceded to the throne in 1509, a

few months before his eighteenth birthday and shortly afterwards married Catherine of Aragon, his older brother's widow. In his 38-

year reign, he created an image of

regal power rivalled only by his

His father, Henry VII, had identified the need to project himself as a magnificent prince fit to be king of England. It was particularly important, for although he had won his crown on the battlefield, his blood claim to be the legitimate Lancastrian heir was fairly tenancies. Distance he are

was fairly tennous. Pictures by an

unknown contemporary artist of

Henry VII, his eldest son Prince

Arthur and his queen, Elizabeth of York, executed around 1500, show them as beginners in the art of dressing to impress. Yet Henry

VII coined the Tudor rose, one of

the most enduring royal emblems of the era, which he used on buildings, badges and heraldry,

daughter, Elizabeth L.

An exhibition of Henry VIII portraits marks the 500th anniversary

of the birth of the great Tudor monarch. Geraldine Ranson reports

The famous Thyssen head was probably painted in 1536. It is not listed in the Royal Collection and possibly was never in the king's possession. It may have been a diplomatic commission or one of a pair of portraits painted at the time of his marriage that year to Jane Seymour. The picture appears to have passed from Robert Spencer, second Earl of Sunderland, to the Spencer family at Althorp House and to have been sold to Baron Thyssen's father in listed in the Royal Collection and sold to Baron Thyssen's father in 1934. It is the only surviving picture of the king painted entirely

The other Holbein picture, even more famous, was destroyed when Whitehall Palace burnt down in 1698. However, its image of Henry VIII survives from a fragment of the original cartoon and from countless copies. It was commissioned by the king for a mural in his Whitehall Palace in

feet wide apart, tunic encrusted with jewels and an embroidered velvet surcoat lined with fur, he wears the same shallow ostrichtrimmed hat set at a slightly rakish angle as in the Thyssen portrait. Neither picture flatters nor beautifies the man, but as portraits of power, dominance and magnifi-cence, they are masterpieces.

The turbulent events between 1529 and 1539 would have cost a lesser man his throne. To boost his image and popularity, these pic-tures were openly exploited during his reign when woodents and inexpensive printing had for the first time made mass production The exhibition also traces these

famous images in other pictures from the meeting with Francis I of France on "The Field of the Cloth of Gold" by an unknown artist to the character created by Charles Laughton in The Private Life of Henry VIII in Alexander Korda's film of 1933.

Once again, some of the pictures

which were damaged in the fire at Hampion Court in 1986 are on view in this exhibition. The view in this exhibition. "The Embarkation of Henry VIII at Dover" is now fully restored but "The Battle of the Spurs", which needs another year of work, shows fascinating details of past repairs.

A small engraving by Cornelis Matsys lent by The Royal Library at Windsor Castle may come a lively electer to showing the king as

little closer to showing the king as he really was. Before he died his legs had swollen to the size of tree trunks and a fist could be placed in trunks and a fist could be placed in
the pits left by leg ulcers. On his
way to Windsor for burial his
coffin rested at Syon House.
During the night the bloated
corpse burst and in the morning
dogs were found licking up the
scepage, thereby fulfilling a prophery that his body would be caten
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by the dogs at Syon. The exhibition is covered by an excellent catalogue written by Christopher Lloyd, Surveyor of the Queen's Pictures, and Simon Thurley, curator at Hampton Court Palace.

Henry VIII - Images of a Tudor King is open daily from 9.30am to 4.30pm at Hampton Court Palace, East Molesey, Surrey until April 14, 1991.

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Suffering the divide

A WEEK before the Polish A WHEK before the Polish presidential elections which may be the start of "Glasnost: The Sequel" BBC 2's strong new Assignment series came up with a chilling report from Olenka Frenkad which looked at the dark side of the Lech Welson was a side of the Lech Welson which looked at the dark wall wall my side of the Lech Walesa campaign. At what should still be a time of celebration for Walesa, who was the first hammer to chip away at the Berlin Wall, he stands accused of demagognery and the desire to be a dictator.

If he wins next week over the more academic and conservative Mazowiccki, to whom he once handed power, he faces a nation still living with the poisoned inheritance of its own past. The future choice, according to this

report, is tyranny or chaos.

Already Walesa has peremptorily fired former supporters from high office, and been accordingly accused of fascism. His nation, torn apart by anti-Semitism, is currently experiencing poverty and unemployment, and is in full flight from communism back to a Catholic church which has already banned abortion and is hoping to outlier both contra-ception and divorce, in trying to claw back the power leaster over morning where supporters seem ager to replace Soviet law with gun law. Instead of being able to celebrate its forward leadership in the East European freedom movement, Poland appears to be suffer-ing as badly as the soon-to-be-

Solidarity, which promised everything and delivered a sharp reduction in living standards, is now hopelessly divided, and the final irony is that voters are asking Walesa to use all his crowd-pulling powers to restore for himself precisely the kind of one-party rule which his own organisation overthrew. If history does repeats itself as farce, a Polish sense of humour may be much in demand.

Talking of farce, or at any rate light comedy, something seems to have gone hoaribly wrong with the new Thames series, Freddle and Max. The provenance here could hardly have been better: writers Ian La Frenzis and Dick Clement from Porridge and The Likely Lads, Anne Bancroft, the original Mrs Robinson from The Graduate, and a plot which sounded more than faintly familiar, since it concerns an eccentric American actress who has taken up long-term residence in the Savoy hotel. The name of Elaine Stritch is

thus written large all over this series, despite the fact that she never appears in it. Not only did that great Broadway babe spend several years in a London hotel, she also perfected with Donald Sinden precisely the kind of transatlantic sitcom partnership which is being attempted here.

True, what we get now instead of the ineffable upper-crust butler of Two's Company is a local television researcher (Charlotte Coleman) who takes up the position as the star's personal assistant. But the real trouble here is Bancroft's infinite charity and gentility, which makes it impossible for her to get the dry-Martini flavour of the wisecracks. The result is like opening a bottle of vodka only to find it full of sugar syrup.

SHERIDAN MORLEY

TIMES MOZART FESTIVAL

Prime man of passion

Andrew Shore has risen swiftly to the top of the British opera world. Hilary Finch talks to him about his next role in Così fan tutte

ndrew Shore has just shed his Papageno fea-thers for the 18th-century wig and knee-breeches of Don Alfonso in the English National Opera production of Cosi fan tutte which opens on Saturday. In fact it is his seventh moult of the year. From Opera North's Dr Bartolo to Glyndebourne's Falstaff, Shore has travelled through Gianni Schicchi, Don Pasqual L'Heure in espagnole and Albert Herring in the space of nine months. Before the year is out, he will also have taken on Leander, in ENO's Christmas-tide Love for Three

The roaring surge of appliance with which Shows's Papagono has invariably upstaged the entire cast months at the Coliscum is testimony enough to the market value of the man now considered to be Britain's best buffo basslike his Falstaff - dominates the stage, not only because he is physically larger than life, but because he is a man of passion. He pursued his role as the Natural Man right through to its natural conclusion, and that means being as passionate in love, pain and anger as in comedy. Rarely does Papageno reveal as much anguish as in this duet with Pamina; rarely does his threatened suicide seem such a possibility.

The tightrope of instinct and sophistication Shore treads in each of these comic roles is a result of his refusal to see them as simply that. "The dividing line between

comedy and tragedy is very thin. Even in Bartolo there is considerably poignancy. There is a touching recitative with Rosina just towards the end in which he's trying desperately to trick her into marrying him. Tremendous pathos comes into the piece there. Don Pasquale, too, might be thoroughly objectionable and pompous in company. But get him by himself, and there's a lot of

. John Cox, who is returning to ENO to direct this revival of his Così - done as an elegant Jane Austen-style comedy of manners - admires Shore's ability to see all sides of the character and a situation and, through an increas-ingly assured comic technique, to what they are. The skill is vital to the role of Don Alfonso. He, after all, is the prime mover of Cast. He cracks the whip which sets in motion the opera's inexorable watches his "commedia graziosa" unfurt, and presses it mercilessly on to its inevitable conclusion. He chuckles his way through the

lovers' farewells; his base line undergirds their tearful Terzetto. He is the pivot of Cost's emotional ambivalence, the lynchpin of its irony. At the end, he modulates into an ambiguously tender D major, and says it was all for their own good. His deceit was in order to disenchant them out of their infatuation, and show them all what love is really made of. Embittered mysogenist or benevolent tutor? What makes this Don



Andrew Shore: "The secret of all I've done, I think, has been not to take anything for granted."

he says: 'I speak from experience', I need to have in my mind what that experience is. And for me, Mozart's librettist, Da Ponte, was the spur, the perfect role model for the character. He had at least three disastrous relationships with wo-men, and was abandoned by all of them. The last one was the singer who played the opera's original Fiordiligi. Da Ponte pushed her ahead, though she wasn't much good, and ended up by losing favour with society, losing all his money, and finally being rejected by her. Yes, this Don Alfonso is deeply embittered."

Shore, who soaked himself in

"I definitely see him as a victim Robert Nye's fictional memoirs of create the role for Opera North's Verdi, is clearly one for doing his homework. He traces his approach to performance back to his apprenticeship at Kent Opera.
"The more I do, the more I realise just how valuable that time was. I took it for granted at the time, but the entire modus operandi of the company set standards for me which I hold on to even now. Each opera was a special event: we never seemed to get on a tread-mill. The secret of all I've done, I

think, has been not to take anything for granted."

Shore understudied Tippett's King Prism at Kent, and his reward for that is being invited to

casting is unlikely to be a serious problem in a future which also holds promises of a Wozzeck or two - and a reappraisal of Don Alfonso in the version of Trevor Nunn's new Glyndebourne Cost next year. Shore will be conducted by the main summer season's Don Alfonso, Claudio Desderi, no less. Now that should really help me clarify my thoughts!"

Cost fan tutte opens at the London Coliseum on Saturday. The performances on December 14 and 19 are part of The Times/Sunday Times Mozart Festival; tickets for these two performances are bookable only on 081-741 5095 or 071-793 0900. BRIEFING

Hollywood is tops

MORE people are going to the cinema in Britsin these days, but fewer of the films they are watching are British. According to the latest edition of the British Film Institute's Film and Television Handbook, cinema audiences increased by 12 million to 96 million last year, but most of that rise is attributed to the new multiplex cinemas which show mainstream Hollywood films. Despite the Oscar success of films such as Henry V and My Left Foot, not one of the Top 10 box office films in 1989-90 was British.

Bowled over

JOHN Mauceri, music director of Scottish Opera, joins the ranks of the commuting conductors when in addition to his Glasgow post he takes up a new appointment as chief conductor of the newly formed Hollywood Bowl Orchestra. The American conductor's panache and Boston Pops experience will no doubt stand him in good stead at the Holly-wood Bowl, not least for the "unique series of popular record-ings" which are also promised with the appointment. Manceri has recently extended his contract with Scottish Opera for a further

Last chance . . .

seldom lead to a rush on the box office so the Royal Exchange Theatre, Manchester, cautiously allotted a mere two-and-a-half weeks to Robin Glendinning's Donny Boy. But sod's law operates in the theatre as everywhere else. Critics and audiences alike responded with enthusiasm to this subtle, strongly acted postrait of a land where reality becomes myth almost before the blood has dried. Unfortunately, Donny Boy's run comes to an end on Saturday. Only limited seating is available for the evenings but there are matiness this afternoon and on Saturday (061-833 9833).

THEATHE

Metamorphosis of the Eastern soul



Marie Myerscough

on the Peking Opera Kingdom of Desire, a

Taiwanese version of Macbeth which opens at the National

Theatre tonight

ntil recently, apart from a few traditional companies, individual insurance film-makers and Hou Dejian - the pop singer hero of Tienaumen pare - Taiwan's artistic talents have been hidden from the world But now, Taiwanese promoters and artists seem ready to embark on the touring circuit, and this week the 55-strong Contemporary Legend Theatre Company has the inter-national stage when it unfolds its spectacular version of Macheth. Called The Kingdom of Desire,

Wei Hai-ming (Lady An-Shu). in The Eingeless of Desire

culminating in Macbeth's dra-matic death which draws on the renowned athleticism of Peking Opera. In their blend of old and new, East and West, both theatre and production represent a new era for Taiwan as it emerges cautiously from its 40 years of

Performed by the Contemporary Legend Theatre, a young troupe dedicated to modernising Peking Opera, The Kingdom of Desire is a loose adaptation of Macbeth, depicting a power strug-gle during China's Warring States period. The assassination of the King of Chi by General Au-Shu Cheng and his wife unleashes similar events as in the

Shakespearean original.
Au-Shu's future is foretold not by a gaggle of toothless hags, but by a white-robed, shamanistic ountain spirit. Lady Au-Shu encompasses an unusual range of conflicting emotions. Blood-cur-dling wails signal the demise of the King of Chi (Duncan). To the uninitiated, nothing too

revolutionary here. But for Taiwan, this first-ever Peking Opera. version of a Shakespearean play is a landmark. Rather than the usual fixed Peking Opera plot from myth or legend, here is a Western play combined with a slice of Chinese history. The costumes, armour and head-dresses, though resplendent, are a toned-down version of the usual sumptuous robes. Colourful scenery and lighting replace the usual bare stage. Contemporary music and dance complement the traditional

When this breakthrough production was first performed in 1986, the older generation denounced it, despite its box-office success. The controversial production was interpreted as attacking not only the sacrosanct opera-form, but also Tarwan's soul. They accused me of being a traitor and a revolutionary," recalls director Wu Hsing-kno, who also plays Macbeth, "All I wanted

But Peking Opera is so tied to Taiwan's history that any alteration was, until recently, taboo. This genre arrived from the mainland in 1949 with Chiang Kai-shek and his two million followers. It then became institutionalised as Taiwan's kuo-chu or 'national theatre", in preference middle-aged generation couldn't do without their opera and were happy to finance companies," explains lighting designer Lin

Both on the mainland and in

Taiwan, Peking Opera exemplifies the close relationship between politics and culture. Its political sensitivity is such that only re-cently was Taiwan's censorship law revoked whereby theatre directors had to submit to a committee the scenarios of operas they planned to stage. Predictably, many were banned for their political message. Taiwan's proprietorial attitude towards Peking Opera was beightened after the mainland's purging of its operas in the Cultural Revolution. "Yet", says Wei Hai-ming, the actress playing Lady Au-Shu in The Kingdom of Desire, "Madame Mao is the reason Peking Opera on the mainland is so much more progressive than here. She ininduced modern dress."

Second time round, though, as Taiwan opens up, attitudes have changed. The death of President Chiang Ching-kuo in 1987, the end of martial law, censorship and travel restrictions, plus the beginnings of democracy and even campaigns for Taiwanese independence all mark a period of amprecedented social change. Not only is resistance now confined to a few purists and diehards, but the new-style Peking Opera has the blessing of the cultural ministry.

© The Kingdom of Desire opens at the Lyttelton Theatre, South Bank, London SEI (071-928 2033) tonight

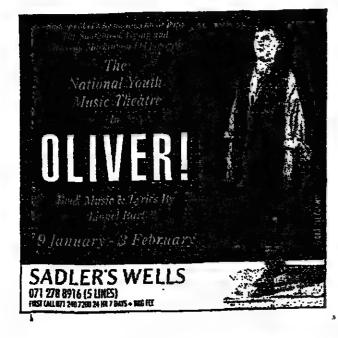


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Just a pub full of characters

Young Vic

JIM Cartwright's sociological frolic is short on title, short on cast, and, at 80 minutes including interval, short on performing time. It is, however, more gencrous with its content. The characters, energetically played by Sue Johnston and John McArdle, may come and go, leaving as much impression of depth as toy boats bouncing on a stream, but at least there are 14 in all and at least they are vividly depicted. If Cartwright has not noticeably grown since his Road four years ago, he has not lost the exuberance of eye that made that play such impretentious

There, he crammed onto the Stage a cross-section of Lancasine street life as it went about its nightly revels. Here, the scene has shrunk to an evening in a pub. McArdle's money-hungry land-lord and Johnston's easy-going landlady bustle about trading something is amiss behind the black plastic of their shockly-smart bar. Precisely what we do not learn until the role-swapping has exbinusted itself.

Changing hats and dresses, crampling and uncrampling shoulders and forchead, Johnston plays wives who are variously domineering, abused, shattered and batty, and single women who are beset by sexually fickle men.
McArdle swaggers about in dark
glasses, making passes at passing
females, and then reappears in a

THEATRE

Miss Julie

Greenwich

AT THE start of this production a

midnight-blue curtain is drawn

two-thirds of the way across the

stage, focusing attention on the stove and table of the Count's kitchen. Janine Duvitski's Chris-

tine is chopping vegetables and

swallowing sips of beer. A greenish

ight drifts in from a rear window,

bringing with it sounds of the

distant revels. There is also a

skylight cut in the deep ceiling but

no kindly light drifts down from

above. This may be a Swedish Midsummer Night but Strindberg is in no mood for smiles.

A STREAT RENTE

The Fall of

Lucas Fortune

The Place

TO THE sound of dripping water,

five characters gather in a bar

(planks, corregated iron, a square

pool of water in the middle of the

promised saviour and was finally

In a community dominated by

river, fish factory and cannery, the

mysterious Lucas Fortune, osten-

sibly an engineer sent to check the

flood-swollen dam, released mem-ories, dissolved inhibitions and

overcame the townspeople's re-

who and what he was, their

reminiscences punctuated by the

barmaid's songs — or rather song, for the music by Jocelyn Pook

from the Communards lends an

unvarying minor-key minimalism

to country-and-western plan-

gency. The storytellers occa-

sionally break off to lie fully

clothed in the pool, evoking the

flood that swept the town, to a haunting melisma on the sound-

track, before sloshing their sodden

When the curtain opens fully



Laucastrians vividly depicted: John McArdle and Sue Johnston, who play all the characters in TO flat cap as one of those male women and vice versa. The single landlady, comes too late and cursmay be lonely, but the married

IRL OF WORSE.

achieves the odd barsh moment,

humiliating him. But the scene is

be wincing at the kid's neglect,

The play's big surprise, a personal loss that has divided landlord and

shrimms still found on comic postcards in Blackgool. At other times he becomes a somnolent widower. a boy forgotten by his drunk father, a violent husband, and an old chap in a red cardigan, mumbling and chuckling at a wife weirdly obsessed with Elvis

As the evening busies along, it becomes clear that the pub setting is just an excuse for assembling a representative scatter of Lancashire folk and not looking hard at any of them. If there is unity to the evening, it is to be found in Cartwright's feeling that nature has exred in attaching men to

the rest of the stage is seen to be entirely empty. A blank wall, also midnight blue, slants forward to the previously hidden corner of

the stage and somewhere along its

with the wall and scarcely visible

Next door is the way out to

freedom, out and away to Lake Como where Miss Julie and Jean, Count's valet, could start a hotel.

But it is also the way to the barn

where she will take Jean's razor

and put an end to her social

disgrace. Since this is the particu-

lar exit to which everything in

Strindberg's play leads, the seem-ingly blank wall of Tom Cairus's

set must represent the barrier to a

free life. The door is an illusion.

And presumably this is why Cairns, who is also the director,

requires Lesley Manville's Julie to

Writer Claire MacDonald and

director Pete Brooks and a succe

with The Sleep three years ago. Their new 75-minute performance

niece, like its remembered protag-

length is the garden door, th

orily for its emotional consees to have the intended spend their time bickering wran-

Andrew Hay's production As in Road, Cartwright is at his idiosyncratic best when there is an as when a bullying husband convinces himself that, by visiting the loo, his terrified wife is opportunity for comedy, preferably rough, raucous comedy. Not everyone could bring both plausibility and laughter to the moment when a jitterbugging McArdle tells a pretty stranger:
"You're beautiful, you, you're fantastic, you"; and Johnston teeters into his path, wailing: "But I'm your bleedin' bird." Cartwright effortlessly does so.

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

Cartwright's later stabs at seriousness are undone by equally obthe incongruity of McArdle play-ing a neglected kid when it should

sink to the floor and somehow wriggle underneath the wall; a sort of dving roll.

This odd ending niggles at the memory because it is awkwardly metaphysical. The production up till then relies confidently on physical naturalism and psychological realism, as well as an tspoken new translation by Helen Cooper. The psychology that orders Manville's movements and tone of voice almost always feels right. "She'd make a good wife," she murmurs vaguely, gaz-ing at the dozing Christine and reflecting silently on such a prospect. Her voice is delicate, even wistful, and the allows a telling moment of silence as she recalls her mother's scant regard for her. Briefly, when she burst out with the cry that she can neither go nor stay, we do not feel with her this

absence of choice. There is insufficient terror in the cry. But it is credible, touching interpretation, made the more poisnant by her physical frailty,

In Barry Lynch's Jean she has a sturdy partner, though one who could become more slavish when the Count's bell starts ringing. Earlier, Jean has moved most naturally from chair to edge of table, and, after ridding himself of her father's boots, over to where she lies watching him from the ground. Flowing easily and logi-cally, now breaking into a woe of passion that flings the characters across the stage, next becalming them in a temporary peace, the production is an impre Loudon debut for Cairns. But I do worry about the dying roll.

JEREMY KINGSTON

JAZZ Carol Kidd Queen Elizabeth Hall

onist, sets an impressive scene but fails to deliver the goods. We never learn what Lucas Fortune FOR her first mumber, Carol Kidd was, though the figure of Lucifer, removed her shoes and sang the bright angel who fell from favour, is often invoked. The "Georgia on my Mind". There were no showbusiness formalities,' characters (and, one suspects, the no coy mannerisms. This was production team) hedge their bets simply an artist at the peak of her who came among them as a by comparing him variously to form who was intent on enjoying mad king, a court jester, a devil herself to the full.

Based in Scotland, Kidd has and the answer to a prayer. Lucas himself is not much help: been around a long time without in a brief glimpse he seems an achieving the recognition she deamnesiac in a pear trance. These serves. Her time now seems to people might be figments of his have come. With a new trio and a dream, or he of theirs. The town, it new album, The Night We Called is hinted, might be hell. It A Day, her performances have grown in depth and confidence. In what is primarily an exercise in atmosphere, Jan Pearson stands All the acclaim for her recent out as the woman who briefly support set for Frank Sinatra in loved the stranger. Kelsey Mi-

Glasgow was clearly justified. chael's blonde barmaid (named If the album has a fault, it is that Angel - significant?) vocalises there is too much emphasis on strongly if not always distinctly, introspective ballads. The more extrovert side of Kidd's nature of Bus Stop. "When you look at seldom shines through. In this it," someone says, "nothing hap-pened." Ah. "We needed some-thing to believe in," they say a little later. "That's all." That's all? concert - part of the Ferguson Jazz series – she made ample amends. Though the Queen Eliza-beth Hall is an unsympathetic venue for a singer, she imposed her personality from the outset. MARTIN HOYLE While her phrasing may owe

something to Sarah Vaughan, her se of humour makes her

Kidd was assisted by a splendid group featuring the pianist Dave Newton, drummer Allan Ganley and bassist Andy Clyndert. Newton is another grossly underrated performer. His delicately sculpted arrangements gave Kidd all the space she needed without resorting to cocktail clichés. The two opening instrumentals, including "The Way You Look Tonight" balanced invention with sensi-

Many jazz vocalists tend to treat lyrics as a hindrance. Kidd never makes that mistake. On "How Little We Know" or "I Pall in Love Too Easily", every syllable is given full attention. In other words, she tells the story. Her one weakness at the moment is a tendency to linger excessively over the end of phrases, especially on ballads. After almost two hours her voice did begin to show strain in the upper register. But she still had enough strength left at the end for an R 'n' B blast-off on "Kan-

sas City". The best jazz singer in Britain? On this showing, she belongs among the best in the world.

CLIVE DAVIS

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of fluis in London and (where indicated with the symbol •) on release across the country.

evy on recetrack action and Tom Crutee's cocky grin, weak on originality. Plaza (071-497 9990).

♦ DIE HARD 2 - DIE HARDER (16): inipacioni del manalità del 111/2. On Mezzanine (077-630 6111).

♦ THE FRESHMAN (RG): Quirky, uneven spoof of The Godischer, with Marton Brando as the mobater who bless a New York Sm student (Netthew Brodentis) as a delivery-boy-Witter-director, Andrew Bergman, Odeon Leicester Square (1771-930 6111).

♦ GHOST (12): Jerry Zocker's experiesural thrifter Bizerre, Incohe experiedment tribler Blasse, Incoherent, by absorbing white it tests. Bartician (071-638 8691) Caunden Particisty (071-837 7034) Caundens: Balant Street (071-835 9772) Fullham Ricad (071-370 2639) Empire (071-97 9999) Witterlay (071-782 3303/3324).

GOODFELLAS (18): Martin Screece's gangster epic tolowing a New York hoodurn's dee and tal. Ray Liotte is easily cutgumed by the supporting players: Joe Pesci, and Robert De Nire.

Cannon Futhern Road (971-570 2636)

Carzon West End (971-439 4806) Screen on the Gasen (971-226 3620) Whiteleys (971-722 3339,6324).

& THE HANDMAID'S TALE (18: Wirgans Associa novel about a luttle plagued by mertility. Enely acted but unduly cold With Nationa Richardson Duvell; director, Volley Schillnoord. Odeonic Heysterfeld (071-639 7897) Kensington (071-632 6644/5).

♦ HARDWARE (18): Thunderously outlandsh British science-fiction tizilier

◆ HEART CONDITION (15): Bob Ho KORCZAK (PG): Andzzaj Wejder sobering, streightforward biography of Polish doctor Janusz Konczaii, who maintained his orphanages for Jewish children in the teels of the Warnew ghetto. Versew ghetto. n Plaza (071-485 2448) Cutzon

♦ THE LITTLE MERMAD (U): Disney's Consider Perforely (UT1-257 7034) Casson Chaises (071-352 5036) Noting His Coron (U71-727 6705) Odeons: Kansington (U71-602 6544/5) Swiss Cottage (U71-722 5905) 1071-439 GF91; Whitelesson (071-722 5805)

LONGTIME COMPANION (15): Norman Rand's acclaimed drama, following the fortunes of gay Americans throughout the Eighties. Carmon Piocadilly (U71-437 3551).

LOVE AT LARIGE (15): Alan Rudolph's delicious, fiset-looted private sys apoxi, with Tom Baranger as a rumpled detective east on the trail of an errant lover who scome to live

two separate Rives. Cannon Oxford Street (071-636 0310) Odeon Mezzanine (071-630 8111). MEMPHIS BELLE (12) David

Publisher's fictional expansion of the war documentary about a US bomber crew's finel mesion. Convencing planes, fuzzy people. Warner (971-439 9791).

MO' BETTER BLUES (15): Splin Lee's take of a seth-absorbed New York jazz player (Derzei Weshington). The bustling strong-player (seeps the Birn lively.

Empire (071-407 \$999).

THE MUSIC TEACHER (U): Belgian falls of a retrieved opens singer (José van Dam) training two new apprentices for a opmpetition. Prettly mounted. Minema (UT-235 4225).

 NS(UTA (18): Grandices, empty thrifar from Prench wonderboy Luc Besson about a punk drug fiend (Anne Parlieud) recruited by the government. Chalese Cheste (U71-351 3742) Gate (371-727-043) Lumbins (U71-836 6891) Screet on the Hill (U71-435 3368).

A PRESUMED BANCCENT (16): Alan 1 Pakule's reveing, thoughthu sension of Scott Turner's bestreiler With Gross Scacchi. Camden Partnery (071-267 7034) Cantinone: Puthern Road (071-370 2636) test (071-639 1527) Notsing Hill Street (071-935 2772) Warner (071-43 0791) Whiteleys (071-792 3309/3324). PROBOCOP 2 (15): Nitrillatio, sizm-bang sequal to the 1967 spic about a cop reconstruted as an indestructible robot

(Pess Weller) Entertaming special effects. Octoop Mazzarion (071-630 61 11). ♦ ROWALD AND JULIETTE (12):

Coline Serman's account commenty about a yoghurt factory bose who falls for his West indian cleaning lady. Long-winded, but with A SHOCK TO THE SYSTEM (16): Wo

be black comedy with Michael Caine at an aggreed marketing men who extracts fability revenge at work and home.

Odeon Kensington (071-602 6644/5).

TOTAL RECALL (18): Imaginative ideas poles through the levels tentary shoult Amoid Schwazzanagger (benting Mark. though they soon get awareped by director Paul Vednoven's londness for viscornal.

WILD AT HEART (18): Devid Lynch's rollicking tale of psychotic evil and sexual passion. Starting Nicoles Cage. Cannons: Challess (071-352 5098)

 YOUNG GLINS II — BLAZE OF GLORY (12): Emilio Estevez's "Bifly the Kid" leads the braipeck in another glossy Visstem eimed at tearnagers new to the genes. Not a patch on the older firms it echoes. Haymarket (071-839 1527) Odeon Swiss Cottage (071-722 5905) Whiteteya (071-792 3303/3326).

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NEW RELEASES

FLATLINERS (16): Kleter Sutherland,
 Jule Roberts and Kevin Bacon on medical
students probing the boundanes between
death and life An unpleasant felly, top-heavy
sympothetic characters. Director, Joel

symptoment pressurant. Actions, som Schumocher. Cention Chaines (171-252 5086) Cdeons: Kentington (171-602 6544) Swise Cottage (1828 914 086) West End (171-830 5252) Whiteleys (171-792 3303/3324).

THE MAD MONKEY (18): Strange doings in Paris, with Jell Goldblus as an America in Paris, with Jeff Goldblum as an As acresmediar and Miranda Richardso his crippled agent. Ponderous psych thriller proched by the occasional unit

tiviler packed by the occasional unsettle surprise Director, Fernando Truebs. Censions: Tottenbern Court Road (UT)-

A MAN ESCAPED (U): Heartening revival of Robert Bresson's sustane, compaling fi first released in 1957 — based on the

MY BLUE HEAVEN (PG): Show Martin as an inconigible criminal placed und ming of a still-necked FBI agent (Fick

wing of a sum-microso HSI agent (HSIC) Moramid). Overstretched comedy which never quite finde enough turny things for its talented cent to dis Director, Herbert Rose, Cannothis: Fullham Rosed (171-570 3556). Haymariet (171-636 1527). Oxford Street (171-636 1319). Watmer (171-636 1791). Whiteleye (171-792 3303)(5324).

An ANGEL AT MY TABLE (15): June Canggan's excellent film about the New Zeeland writer Janet Frame.

Metro (071-437 0757) Renoir (071-637

BAD INFLUENCE (18) Sleek and supersetu psychological traffer charting the fortunas of a young professional (James Spacier) befriended by a psychopath (Nob.)

Specier) befriended by a psychopath (Ho Lowe), Director Cortie Hansen. Cannon Panton Street (071-930 0831).

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uneven but engaging comedy about premertage turnoil.
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Kensington (071-562 50445) Miczzanine (071500 (111) Swiss Cottings (071-722 5005)
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BERD ON A WIFIE (12): Empty-headed chase movie, with only Mei Gibson and Goldie Header's star power to pull us through the Casagest: Baker Street (17): 695 9772). Fullhast Road (17): 370 2836; Shathasbury Avenue (17): 486 8691; Plaza (17): 487 9969; Whiteleys (17): 792 3303/3324).

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 CRIMES AND MISDEMEANORS (15): Woody Allen's engrossing portrait of life ironius and immorelities. Cannon Penton Street (071-830 (681) Odeon Kensington (071-802 6644/5).

DAYS OF THUNDER (12): Stock-car
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1300KENDB: Disappointingly amply tale of two Sterary blokes: Michael Hordern and Directale Lunden by to find some contant, Apollo, Sheffesbury Avenue, W1 (071-487-2885) Underground: Piccadilly Mon-Fri, Opti, Set. 8-80pm, met Bet, Spm, Running time:

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all GASPWeit Jam tearnon better and Jim Certer in Ben Elton's greenish commoly. Pather over the top but lots of leughs. Theater Royal, Haymentet, SWn (071-880 8800) Underground Piccadilly Men-Thurs, 8pm, Fri, Set, 8-30pm, data Sat, Spm. Funning time. Stern Street.

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PENNACRÉ AND GERDA/GIANNI SCHICCHE Julie Hollander's production of SCHICCHI: Julia Hollander's production (Delius's Forestone is a disappointingly distrate gener to this doubtle bill However relief is geleed in the second half with Stephen Uniter's socialism production of Puocin's comedy, with Benjarsin Lunon at Glami St Charles Meclares conducts. Collegium, 81 Mertin's Lane, London WCB 2773, pag. 98871 7 20-87. (071-836 31811, 7.30pm).

BEORGE BENSON: The balled-singing soul gustarist returns to the UK for an eight-date lour including four nights at Weinbley Arena ending on Saturday.

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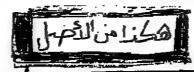
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5.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show. Oprah's

at the growth of popular racquet sports 4.30 Fifteen-to-One, Fast-moving quiz

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6,00 The Art of Landscape. Beautiful

images set to scenting music
6.20 Business Delly
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9.25 Schools
12.00 The Parisiment Programme

BBC's Casualty has too much blood and not enough soap opera may feet more at home with this so-part medical drama from Graneda about a group of students based at a Manchester hospital. Not only is there little blood but there are virtually no patients, either. The focus as almost entirely on what the rooks medics do off duty. Tonight's opener features Jessica (Penny Bunton), a poor little nch girl whose hobbies include sex, sex and sex. Hardly is she back from Singapore boasting a newly acquired sun tan than she is between the sheets with registrar Dominic (Shaun Scott), who is not only married but has another mistress in angry pursuit. The class of the series "to confront controvers medical issues" is set aside as we

Detween the sheets: Peoply System (9.00pm)

9.00 Medics.

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script and acting reminiscent of a British B movie of the Frities 10.00 News at Ten with Sandy Gall and Trevor McDonald, Weather 10.30 Thurnes News and wester

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Steve Guntenberg and music from 7.00 Channel Four News with Jon Snow

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and Zemab Badawi 7.50 Party Poincal Comment by a Conservative party polycoan. Weather 8.00 Brookside. (Teletext)

8.30 Dispatches. A report from Karachi on the ethnic and political rivatnes that are making Pakistan increasingly



Elle Noble (left), Caroline Patterson (11.45pm) 9.15 Without Walls: Tunnel Visions.

• CHOICE Starting from the premise that the greatest difference between the French and the British is one of thought and attitude. Tunnel Visions is a two-part examination of the rival intellectual tradmons. On Sunday's programme a French documentary team will look at Britain, while tonight it is Britain's turn to mamine life and culture across the Channel. Chins Goddard's fitm is enormously wide-ranging and, not surprisingly, comes to no clear conclusions, its value is not to present a

thesis but to point to the diversity of

November 1940 and what was making the headlines
5.00 ITN Morning News with Brends
Rowe, Ends at 6.00 the French intellectual heritage and underline some of its inconsistencies and contradictions. It is no simple matter to sum up a country which is the home of democratic revolution and yet lums to dictatored teaders, where intellectuals have tended to throw their. weight behind totalitarian regimes and protesting larmers can spend milions of pounds turning the Champs-Elysées into a wheat field

10.15 Sticky Moments With Julian Clary. The camp Clary decamps to the Channel tunnel, accompanied by hitchikers from the studio audience, all without leaving the studio audience, all without leaving the studio, to investigate Anglo-French relations 11.00 Sex Talk, Mark Chase discusses the

importance of sex to a healthy and happy life, with guests including calibates, sex addicts and those involved in long-standing

11.45 She-Play: The Nacklace. Continuing the season of short plays by woman writers new to television. Tonight's piece by Donna Franceschild, concerns two girls living on the streets in London who find a valuable necklacs in a rubbish bin. Their initial joy is soon replaced by confusion and fear as they debate whether to see the necklace or return it for a reward. To make things worse, a sinister man appears to be following them: 12.00 Sid Caesar's Show of Shows. Archive comedy from one of the earliest American comedy series, which ran from 1949 to 1954 and contains sketches, satince impoors,

and improvisation 12.30am Rock Steady After Midnight Specials. Wet Wet Wet recorded at the Town & Country Club, London: Ends

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B.00 News B.15 Weeks Mer. A review of yesterday's news and events from both Housest

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2.20 What is pasted? 1.40 colleges compass
2.00 News and weather followed by You and Me (r) 2.15 The Gun. Part three of the series tracing the history of firearms (r) 2.30 A Day in the Life of a mobile fibratian (r) 2.35 Country File reports on ireland's gold rush (r)
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4.00 Call My Bluff, Obscure words are explained by colourful definitions, but only one of them is true. Frank Muir and Arthur Marshall lead the teams and

4.30 Behind the Headlines. Beverly Anderson is joined by actor Richard Gers. The subjects under discussion include Tibet and holistic medicine 5.00 Film 90 with Barry Norman (r) 5.30 Nature: The Price of Peace. A report on the problems encountered by

the superpowers as they attempt to reduce their formidable nuclear and destricted programmes (r) 6.00 Star Trek: The Next Generation. Deanna Trol's mother visits her on the Enterprise, to inform her about her arranged marriage. But their plans are interrupted when the ship comes

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twe from the pop, fashion and 8.10 Timewatch: A War Far from Home.

• CHOICE: When the war on the western front was going badly in 1914 the British Expectitionary Force sought reinforcements in India, and soldiers trained to fight tribesmen with rifles, swords and deggers found themselves up against shells, machine guns and poison gas. The Indians were thrown into the most homic battles of the early part of the wer, including Ypres, Neuve Chapelle and Loos. Casualties were expelling and, of the 130,000 incides spelling and, of the 130,000 incides soldiers who went to Europe, 30,000 did not return. Sandra Gregory's film recounts their experiences, using the climina of the inciden Corps. commander and, more telingly, the men's letters home. Read by actors, these epistics from the trenches are often moving, suffused with latislism and surprisingly free of bittemess against the British. In the circumstances, the unswerving loyality to king and empire is remarkable, particularly from a county freene to

particularly from a country trying to 9.00 M*A*S*H: Depressing News. More blood, guts, humour and pathos from the regulars of the 4077th. This week Kinger decides to run his own

newspaper (/) 9.25 Die Kinder. CHOICE: Introduced with urgent black-and-white credit titles and a.

throbbino score. Die Kinder is a six part lednep timiler produced by Michael (Edge of Darimas) Wearing and directed by Riob (Dead Head) Walker. But Paula Milne's soript has stronger echoes of (TV's Stolers, with its similar to be laboured to the contribution of the contribution children of the contribution children of the contribution of the contributio theme of a father anatching children from their (wother and briding them from their wother and balang them stroud, while the harking back to Statism revolutionary polices involves parallels with Channel 4's recent. Companions, Die Kinder starts promisingly, with pace, logical and coherent plotting and plenty of dark enigmae wanting to be resolved in future apsocies. The ever-watchable liamada Flichardson plays the anoughed harone, the English

anguished herome, the English mother in pursuit of her Germen exhusband, and Fracienc Fortest is shaping well as the muverick private eye employed to find the children 18.25 Fifth Column. Lord Deedes, former editor of the Deey Telegraph, argues that there is now no need for an event such as Remembrance Sunday

10.30 Newsnight with Peter Snow 11.15 The Late Show. Tonight's topic is independent American movies. With Whit Stillman, Jon Jost, James Bond III and Ben Model. Plus music from Van Momison 11.55 Womes 12.00 Behind the Headlines. See 4.30. Ends at 12.354m

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Tabloid in merger talks with Sunday paper

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

NEWS International is actively considering merging its mid-market tabloid, Today, with the recently relaunched Sunday Correspondent into a seven-day a week newspaper.

The Sunday Correspondent, which was relaunched as a "quality tabloid" last September but has so far failed to reach the critical circulation mark of 300,000, approached News International over the weekend with the merger proposal. If the deal is agreed, News International, which two weeks ago surprised the broadcasting industry with the merger of Sky Television and BSB, would be left with a minority share in the merged newspaper.

It is not yet known who of the Correspondent's main shareholders - The Guardian, the Chicago Tribune group, Robert Maxwell and the Saudi Arabian investor, Wafiq Saeed - would continue as shareholders in the merged newspaper, or whether new investors would enter the fray with a muchneeded cash injection for the two loss-making titles.

A merger would result in significant cost savings, involving redundancies at both newspapers. It is not clear whether the merged paper would have just one editor, or whether Today's editor, David Montgomery, would continue to



edit the daily and the Correspondent's editor, John Bryant, would edit the Sunday issue.

Although no deal has yet been agreed. News International issued statement on the negotiations simply to avoid unnecessary and inaccurate rumours whilst this approach is being examined". Neither it nor Mr Montgomery would comment on the proposal.

Mr Bryant, the former deputy editor of The Times, said negotiations were still at an early stage. The Correspondent's board meets today. "It's no secret that we need some form of refinancing. My personal view is that the viability of a stand-alone Sunday news-paper is suspect," he said.

The victim of a highly-competitive Sunday market, the Correspondent's circulation fell as low as 130,000 before in relaunched as a tabloid with a cash injection of about £10 million from its shareholders in late August. Its circulation has been rising slowly to 262,000 last week. Today, which was launched by

Eddie Shah in 1986 as Britain's by News International in 1987 from The Observer's owner, Lonrho, which stepped rescue the title in 1986. in to



Birthday treat: Hilary Shedel, above, who was chosen to take the official photographs for the Prince of Wales's 42nd hirthday

By royal appointment

The Prince of Wales's 42nd birthday today is recorded by a young photographer who set up in business with a £1,100 grant from the Prince's Youth Business Trust.

Hilary Shedel, aged 25, a former drama student from Dollis Hill, north London, was one of 35 photographers recently helped by the trust who were invited to submit portfolios to Buckingham Palace for judging by Ron Bell, the retired royal photographer of the Press Association. Her prize was to travel to Birkhall, the Queen Mother's Scottish retreat on the edge of the Balmoral estate, for portrait session with the prince. Taken two weeks ago during the prince's long and solitary sojourn

in Scotland to recover from his broken arm, the pictures show a relaxed and casual Charles displaying little evidence of the pain he has suffered from the operation on his broken bone. Theindoor portraits show him seated on a clearly well-used chair in the Queen Mother's sitting room, while the outdoor shots have the prince posed against the stunning colours of Aberdeenshire in

Miss Shodel said that she had found the prince friendly, co-operative and interested in her new business, but that the session had not been made easier by the presence of two independent-



Howe attack on Thatcher stuns Commons

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Cannock, said that the speech was an open incitement to cabinet rebellion born of thwarted ambition. "Clearly Sir Geoffrey had

tired of playing second fiddle."
Gerald Kaufman, shadow foreign secretary, said: "I have never heard anything like it. It is the most lethal speech I have heard in 20 years."

Sitting next to Mr Lawson and with Mr Heseltine listening from the front bench below the gangway, Sir Geoffrey effectively accused Mrs Thatcher of sabotaging cabinet government - just the same allegation, MPs noted, that Mr Heseltine had made when he left the cabinet over the Westland affair.

minister's wounds by turning around the cricketing metaphor she had used the night before, saying that she would hit the

bowling for six. Scornfully dismissing her more bellicose statements on the European Community as "background noise", Sir Geoffrey accused her of sending her team out to face battles in Europe only to find as they received the first ball that the captain had broken their hats.

He quoted Churchilf on the value of surrendering some sovereighty to Europe to gain a share in a greater power and said: "I find Winston Churchill's perception a good deal more convincing and encouraging for the interests of our nation than the nightmare image sometimes conjured up by the prime minister, who sometimes seems to look out on a continent that is positively teeming with ill-intentioned people scheming, in her words, to extinguish democracy, to dissolve our national identity, to lead us throught the back door into a

By Phillip Howard

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federal Europe." Sir Geoffrey, who said he was probably the first minister to resign for believing in government policy, asked; "What kind of vision is that for our business people who trade there each day, for our financiers who seek to make London the money capital of Europe, or for all the young people of today?"

In particular, he criticized the prime minister for "casually"

destroying her own government's strategy of backing the hard ecu plan promoted by Mr Major in her Commons statement on the Rome summit, when she said that she did not believe the bard ecu would be widely used. Sir Geoffrey said she was run-

ning serious risks with the future of the nation by her attitude to Europe. It risked minimising Britain's influence, and maximising its chances of "being once again shut out. We have paid heavily in

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ABROAD

clear then England and Wales will be generally dry with some sanny intervals but with a few showers developing in the

afternoon. There will be rather more showers over western

and north-western areas of Northern Ireland and Scotland. It

will remain mild but become windy in the north later. Outlook:

the past for late starts and squandered opportunities in Europe. We dare not let that happen again".

Mr Heseltine was tightlipped after the speech. He would say only that it was most impressive and very interesting. But there were signs last night that a Heseltine bandwagon was beginning to move. She MPs from the 1987 invoke part provided to have offered their help after Sir Geoffrey's speech and those who had been counselling him not to run had publicly changed their minds.

Mrs Thatcher was said last night to have been "extremely saddened" by the manner of Sir Geoffrey's departure and to be maintaining that the differences en them on Europe as wide as he thought. But her close allies were disputing his version of the cabinet resignation

Some patchy rain over

southern districts will soon

turns to bitter

THAT will teach her to take a Geoffrey rose, it wasn't cricket. Mr Speaker fired his starting fellow's country house away. If this wasn't Mrs Thatcher's Waterloo, then it was undoubtedly her Clapham

Junction. All along the rabbit warrens inhabited by journalists at Westminster, a Tannoy system crackles occasionally into life with urgent information. At ten to four yesterday afternoon came a warning hiss ...
"Attention! Attention! In view

of Sir Geoffrey Howe's personal statement, there will be no four o'clock_"

We looked at each other, incredulous. Our deputy prime minister (resigned) - the mildest of men - has never been suspected of so much as wrenching petals from a marigold, let alone hours from the day. Colleagues explained. At four o'clock, Bernard ingham (Mrs Thatcher's press secretary) gives a briefing for lobby correspondents. They expected as much, yesterday, but it seems that Sir Geoffrey's personal statement to the House (scheduled for 4.15) had intervened. It was only the first of Mr

Ineham's disappointments.
"Oi! Bernard!" — one of the journalists, leaving the press gallery after Sir Geoffrey's speech called across to the PM's press secretary - "that certainly got her, middle stump!" Mr Ingham stormed forward, wordless, his face like thunder.

It had been a day for cricketing analogies. Earlier, at questions, Neil Kinnock had tried to get in on the act. Taking up Mrs Thatcher's promise that she would not "stonewall" at the crease, the Labour leader accused her of doing exactly

"The Rt Hon gentleman," she replied "should go back to bowling at the nursery end",
It was an odd exchange. What is it about Britain which obliges two individuals to trade insults in the language of a game with which neither appears particularly involved, or conversant? Anyway, the sport which most adequately reflects the realities of British political life is pingpong. And, the moment Sir

gun, and, within seconds, the dead sheep had its gloves off.

What a pity the word "devas-tating" has been drained of meaning by journalistic overuse, for it was never so apt as yesterday. When can so much powder have been kept so dry for so long?

Outsiders sensed, as much in the audible gasps of the packed chamber as in Sir Geotfrey's words themselves, how much greater was the impact on a House which knows the unvarying low-key style this man has adopted over the last 12 years. The urgency of feeling reminded your sketchwriter how seldom the quality of earnest-ness is sensed these days in the parliamentary performances of any but the mad, or impotent.

Mrs Thatcher started with a look of tense composure and a faint smile. The composure held, the tension grew, and the smile disappeared. Writing of unwitting human

body language, Desmond Mor-ris says that people (involuntarily) try to cover their faces with their hands when they want to hide something. Yesterday, Sir Geoffrey spoke of his "700 meetings, 400 hours, and 30 international summits" spent alongside the prime minister. John MacGregor, John Major, Kenneth Baker, and Norman Tebbit were all to be seen with hands raised to mouths, chins, and (in Mr MacGregor's case at one point)

Michael Heseltine sat, strained, watchful. A gentle smile flickered across Ted Heath's relaxed features, while Sir Geoffrey spoke of Mrs Thatcher's "nightmare" vision of "a continent positively teeming with ill-intentioned people,

scheming..."
Poor Mrs Thatcher could have looked around, across, behind her and above - and reflected that the nightmare was closer than Calais. And she was not dreaming.

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Man killed in ambush

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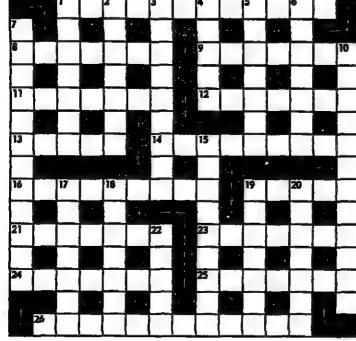
Strabane. He was married with four children. He was believed to be a member of the small republican splinter group, the Irish National Libera-

tion Army, which has been virtually dormant for nearly two years. was not associated with paramilitaries, according to police Although the house under at-

tack was hit by a number of bullets, no members of the security forces were injured.

Yard and the continue Scotland Yard and the continue questioning seven his people held during raids on two flats in Kilburn and an address in north Kensington (Stewart Tendler writes). Two girls also arrested in the raids were released. Police have now uncovered a network of at least six addresses supporters across north London. At least four of the addresses were 'safe houses" used for a short time and then abandoned.

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,451



ACROSS

I Task force combining business with pleasure (7,5).

8 Fruit-tree put in bed after start of month (7).

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musical performance (7).

3 Medical specialist needs to confine one's patient, finally (9). 4 Enormous soldier - a six-footer

5 Dispose of lots you reportedly carried in case (7).

6 Port with more noticeable aftertaste (7). 7 Cutting remark one was going to make (8.4).

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17 Squire's picture (7). 18 Alarming a partnership about merger (7). 19 Medical expert's son succeeds bishop of 23 (7).

20 A precious possession, this little woolly jumper? (3-4). 22 Composition I found

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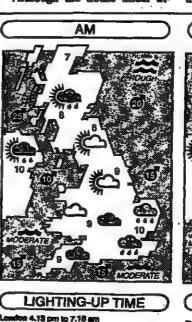
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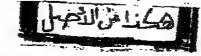
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Ferranti order freezes assets

FERRANTI International has obtained an order from a Florida court that prevents James Guerin, the company's former deputy chairman, from selling or mortgaging any of his assets and provides him with a maximum of \$4,000 a month living expenses (Angela Mackay writes).

The order is part of the British electronics and defence group's attempts to regain \$189 million lost in an elaborate fraud, allegedly master-minded by Mr Guerin.

The ruling was made on October 19, but the order was not drawn up and ratified until Friday.

Registration day Today is the last day for

registration at the Electricity Share Information Office for potential investors in the 12 regional electricity distribution companies that want to qualify for the incentives on offer to customers. Registration, which does not bind the investor to apply for the shares, can be done by tele-phone, on 0272 272272. The price of the issue will be announced on November 21.

ISE lobby The International Stock Exchange will lobby for the formation of a new European equity market at the meeting of the Federation of EC Stock Exchanges in Dublin this week. The Stock Exchange is looking for support for its scheme to launch a European Wholesale Market.

Comment, page 27 Unigate payout Unigate, the St Ivel food and transport group expects fullyear earnings to fall after a drop in pre-tax profit from £44.2 million to £41.4 million in the six months to end-September. The interim dividend is unchanged at 5.7p per there. Tempes, page 27

De La Rue up no the Rue, the banknote printer and maker of payments machines, reported pretax profits for the six months to end-eptember rose from £16.6 million to £28.3 million. The interim dividend is held

at 3.25p a share. Tempos, page 27

THE POUND US dollar 1.9635 (+0.0005) German mark 2.8030 (-0.0013) Exchange index 93.9 (-0.1)

STOCK MARKET FT 30 Share 1593.6 (+3.9) FT-SE 100 2056.0 (+4.1) New York Dow Jones 2532.18 (-8.17)* Tokyo Nikkei Avge 23973.67 (+1041.87) Closing Prices ... Page 31

major changes Page 28 INTEREST RATES

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Governor takes lone stand over Euro bank statutes

By ANATOLE KALETSKY ECONOMICS EDITOR

ROBIN Leigh-Pemberton, the Governor of the Bank of England, has put himself in a minority of one among European central bankers by entering a "general reserve" against proposed statutes for a European central bank. Although the Governor, who was understood to be acting under specific instructions from the Treasury and Downing Street, signed the proposed statutes for an independent European central bank, he stressed in a strongly worded note of reservation that Britain did not accept the case either for a single European currency or for a European monetary authority.

The Bank of England's reservation,

Leigh-Pemberton at loggerheads with all the other European central bankers. While he will continue to press for Britain's alternative plan to create a European Monetary Fund with very narrow responsibilities and no authority over member countries' monetary policies, the 11 other governors are expected to engage in a substantial lobbying campaign with their governments to have the plan for an independent European central bank, or ECB, endorsed at next month's European

The most influential supporter of the proposed ECB will be Karl Otto Pöbl, president of the German Bundesbank. Herr Pohl, who is chairman of the committee of EC central bank governors.

summit in Rome.

made yesterday, has effectively put Mr was the main author of the draft statutes adopted at the committee's meeting in Basle yesterday. Ironically, he has been considered one of Britain's main allies in retarding the movement towards Emu.

Some British officials still hope that the tough statutes agreed will act as an impediment to Emu. The draft, which was not published, is understood to include provisions that would completely insulate the ECB from national or even supranational political control, while giving it sweeping powers over the domestic monetary policies of member countries.

While the ECB's governing council would be appointed by the European Council of Ministers, the members would have long tenures and would not be subject to recall or replacement by national

governments or the European parliament. One of the provisions in the proposed statutes is understood to require national central bank governors appointed to the ECB to be politically independent not only in their European capacities but also in their domestic functions. This would imply constitutional changes in France as well as Britain, since the Bank of France is

subordinate to the French Treasury. The other major political problem will be timing. The Basic statutes are believed to require the transfer of substantial policy responsibilities to the ECB as soon as it is created. Last month's European summit, by contrast, resolved to create a new European central bank in January 1994, but then to allow a transition period of three years or more before it assumed

substantial monetary responsibilities. Herr Pohl has argued forcefully against such a transition period and yesterday's meeting

broadly reflected his views.

"We have reached agreement on practically all the basic principles for a European central bank system," he said at a brief press conference. He added that there were still some matters to be decided but these were only technical. These were understood to include the precise division of responsibilities between the ECB's governing council and its professional executive and also the residual functions, such as financial supervision, which might

be left to national central banks. The next stage in negotiations will be the presentation of the draft statutes to EC finance ministers in Brussels on Monday.

Lilley acts to curtail BT domination

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

PETER Lilley, the trade charges for domestic line rentsecretary, has published proposals designed to boost competition in every facet of the United Kingdom telecommunications market.

In a consultative document, Competition and Choice in the 90s, published yesterday, he indicated the government's intention to clear the way for cable television companies, mobile telephone operators, satellite operators and com-panies with private telephone networks to provide a full range of telephony services linked into the British Telecom and Mercury networks.

Amending licences to compel "equal access" to the existing wired networks raises the prospect that Britons may eventually be able to select which telephone network they use by dialling two extra digits before the number they are trying to reach.

The proposals would end the duopoly which has existed since Mercury was licensed to compete with British Telecom seven years ago. However, British Telecom would be barred from offering television services for at least seven years, and possibly for "asymmetry" was necessary to allow cable operators to build up local networks in

competition with BT. cross between a white and a package. And it seeks suggesgreen paper, also rejects BT's tions as to how the telepoint plea for a sharp increase in mobile phone system could be

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By Angela Mackay

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Brothers International and

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which made a joint petition,

agreed to the adjournment.

Between them, the two broking firms are owed £22.1

million related to purchases of

shares in Polly Peck Inter-

It is believed other personal creditors to Mr Nadir were

also present at the hearing.

Seventeen lawyers attended

the hearing in the Thomas

More Building at the High

Court, London. Mr Nadir was

By MARTIN BARROW

SIR Ian MacGregor is leading the rescue

of HunterPrint, the ailing specialist printing group, pledging £500,000 of his own money to try to ensure its survival.

Sir Ian, aged 78, who was called on by the government to mastermind the

turnaround of British Steel and the

former National Coal Board, now British

Coal, is to become chairman of

HunterPrint following a restructuring of

the company. He replaces Michael

Hunter, who becomes deputy chairman.

A total of £13.6 million is being

injected into HunterPrint through a

deeply discounted rights issue of 150

million new shares, representing 83.9 per

cent of the company's enlarged share

capital. The shares are being offered at

10p each against yesterday's price of 18p,

HunterPrint shares have collapsed

from a high of 225p this year amid

als. It says BT's commitment, negotiated voluntarily, to in-crease rentals by no more than the retail price index plus 2 per cent each year should not be

reviewed until 1993. But it accepts BT's case that there may eventually need to be a "social obligation" levy on all companies licensed to provide telephone services to subsidise poor customers who need a telephone for emergencies, but make few calls. For now, the obligation would continue to fall on BT alone. Mr Lilley told the House of

Commons the proposals were designed to "give customers, both businesses and individuals, the widest possible choice of high quality, efficient and innovative services".

up by Sir Bryan Carsberg, diseased general of the Office of Telecommunications. He said the government had accepted all of his suggestions. Mr Lilley said there would, in future, be a presumption that "applications for licences to run telecommunications systems should be granted unless there were specific rea-

sons to the contrary". The document invites views ten.Mr Lilley said this about the desirability of forcing network operators to make telephone capacity available for sale to "retailers" who could then offer domestic and

losses in its American and

resignation was accepted by the board "with regret". His place will be filled by David

Kennedy, the deputy gov-ernor, while the bank seeks a

The bank's pre-tax profits

dropped by 83 per cent in the

six months to end-September

to Ir£15.8 million (£13.92

million). The fall was caused

by a loss of Ir£32 million at First New Hampshire Banks.

in America, after a profit of

Ir£8.2 million in last year's

first half. The bank also suffered a Iri 12 million loss in

Britain, down from an Ir£9.5

permanent replacement.

British subsidiaries.

Bank of Ireland

chief resigns

By NEIL BENNETT, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

THE chief executive of the million profit. The Irish bank

Bank of Ireland resigned un-expectedly last night as the bank published details of a Theinterim dividend stays

collapse in profits and large at 4p. The bank said it

Mark Hely Hutchinson's year.

esignation was accepted by Warburg declines: A slump

adapted to provide the final link between customers and local networks.

British Telecom said it welcomed "the general thrust" of the document. But Malcolm Argent, the group secretary, added: "We also welcome the government's cautious approach to equal access and its recognition that prices should, wherever possible, reflect the cost of providing services." BT was "dissappointed" that it would be barred from providing cable television for at least seven years.

The government's proposals were received more enthusiastically by Mercury. Peter Van Cuylenburg, its chief executive, said: The proposed opening up of the market is the opportunity Mercury has always wanted. We perticularly welcome the government's addression issue of equal access" (10

existing wired networks).
The Union of Communica tion Workers condemned the proposals as "pure dogma," which would undermine BT's efforts to become one of the big five players worldwide. Cable television franchises

have already been granted for areas encompassing 70 per cent of homes in Britain. Many cable companies are licensed to provide telephone services, but were obliged to link them to BT or Mercury networks. Under the proposvide a full range of services.

expected to be able to main-

tain the payout for the full

in corporate activity and world equity markets after the

invasion of Kuwait saw pre-tax profits at SG Warburg Group fall 35 per cent to £66.3

million in the six months to

end-September. Mercury

Asset Management, the group's 75 per cent-owned fund manager, had an 11 per

cent fall in profits to £25.2

million. Warburg and Mer-

cury are holding their interim dividends at 4.5p and 5p,

persistent speculation about its future. In City Great Britain, the British invest-

respectively.

HunterPrint offered half a million by ex-Coal chief

MacGregor rides to the rescue again

July, the company surprised the City after reporting an interim pre-tax loss of

£6.62 million and passing payment of a

dividend. Total debts were estimated at

£25 million, with interest payments

running at almost £5 million a year. "Substantial" though unspecified losses

have been incurred during the second

The rights issue has been fully

underwritten by Smith New Court

Corporate Finance. About 37 per cent of

the shares have already been placed firm

with institutional and private investors.

The balance will be offered to ordinary

shareholders on the basis of three new

shares for every existing share. Convert-

ible preference shareholders, who are

being asked to forego their entitlement to

arrears of dividends, may subscribe for

15 new shares for each £2 nominal of

The cash call is also supported by First

convertible preference shares.



Limbering up for launch: John Jarvis, formerly chairman and chief executive of Hilton International, is linking with Sebastian Coe, the athlete, to promote a chain of 40 health park i, called Jarvis Hotels, to be opened at the end of this year. Mr Jarvis bought the hotels, the Embassy Group, from Allied Lyons for £186 million in July

Bass wants to sell a third of its pubs

By MARTIN WALLER

BASS, Britain's biggest brewer, has decided to sell or lease at arm's length about 2,680 public houses of its almost 7,400 outlets to comply with the monopolies commission report into the

brewing industry. "Selling is the preferred option, because it's a clean break," said Ben Hanbury, the brewer's director of corporate yet to see any sign of the projected downturn in the

some analysts expect as other above a figure of 2,000. Bass is believe Bass will struggle to big brewers are forced to strengthening its fleet of man-sell the public houses, es-

fied to go in the group's longawaited restructuring is larger than had been expected. In May, Bass talked in terms of hiving off about 2,400. But the trade department has taken a hard line on what constitutes a public house and has required restaurants and other outlets

i ite calculations The monopolies report requires the big brewers to sell though they may be offered an has identified those public

vest. aged houses by transferring pecially once its competitors. The number of pubs identiabout 580 public houses from follow suit. The widespread tenancy to management. It is belief is that Britain is keeping 1,400 existing ten-overpubbed, and some outlets ancies, and the rest will either be sold or leased free of the rie, along with about 150 managed houses that the company no closures.

Existing tenants whose pub-Bass to include various hotels, lie houses are earmarked for its public houses since the full disposal will be allowed to implications of the monopohouse cannot be sold, al- only now that the company

follow suit. The widespread will have to close. Mr Haobury, however, did not think there would have to be

Bass has had approaches from a number of sources for lease them only if the public lies report emerged, but it is market for public houses that half the outlets they own alternative property. Analysts houses that it no longer needs.

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September production falls sharply

By OUR ECONOMICS STAFF

BRITAIN'S manufacturing production fell sharply in September, the Central Statistical Office reported, confirm-ing the evidence from industry that business conditions deteriorated suddenly after the summer holidays. In America, the Federal Reserve Board reported a sharp decline in industrial production, adding to fears that Britain and America might lead a recession gradually spreading to the

rest of the world. In Britain, the index of manufacturing production de-chined by 2.1 per cent in September to 117.5. The index of industrial production fell 0.4 per cent to 108.4.

Government statisticians noted that the three-month averages fell 2 per cent for manufacturing output and 3 per cent for industrial produc-Tempus, page 27 | non generally.

ment vehicle of the Belzberg brothers, of

Canada, who have agreed to subscribe

for a "passive investment" of about 5 per

cent of the company. Anthony Caplin, chief executive of First City, and Jonathan Stuart, responsible for cor-porate finance, will join the new board as

chief executive and finance director

respectively, investing a total of

Mr Hunter began searching for poten-

tial backers for a rescue package in July

after St Ives Group, a rival printer, acquired a 4.5 per cent shareholding in

the firm, fuelling speculation of a

takeover. By mid-August, however, Sir

lan's team was in place, preparing the

way for the life-saving rights issue.

Agreements were secured with two

unions, which resulted in the loss of 170

jobs at two plants in Corby, one of which

will be closed. Finance and operating

leases have been rescheduled.

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BUSINESS ROUNDUP

AAH lifts payout but

AAH Holdings, the healthcare and building supplies group, is

increasing its interim dividend by 10 per cent despite a standstill in taxable profits at £16.1 million during the six

months to end-September. Directors declared a first-half dividend of 4.95p a share, against 4.5p, payable from

earnings of 15.3p a share, down from 15.9p.

Trading profits rose 10 per cent to £18.2 million on turnover of £546.8 million. But the interest charge rose from

£400,000 to £2.1 million after the launch of AAH Meditel,

which provides research information, and expansion of the

retail pharmacy chain. Healthcare services earned profits of

profits at standstill

Rank sale of casino called off

RANK Organisation's £30 million saic of the Clermont Club, the London casino, to Bally Manufacturing Corporation of America has fallen through, Rank now has no plans to sell the Clermont, Douglas Yates, the commercial director, said.

Bally didn't wish to complete the deal," he added. The sale was negotiated by Mecca Leisure, now owned by Rank, last January after the Clermont went up for auction the previous October.

Bally is thought to have pulled out because of its mounting financial problems in America which make it unlikely that its banks would have allowed the deal. These problems may also have caused difficulties with the Gaming Board, analysts spec-

Bally has already put down £3.5 million in "earnest money", a substantial proportion of which Rank can retain as consolation. Mr Yates said the company would scener have completed the Clermont sale. But it is thought unlikely that Rank would find another buyer at the same price, given the state of the market for

Sedgwick rises

Sedgwick, the insurance broker, edged profits forward by 3 per cent to £82.9 million in the nine months to end-September thanks to a small increase in revenue and tight control of costs. The group's revenue rose 6 per cent to £482 million, and 8 per cent after currency adjustments in the third quarter. Sedgwick does not pay a third-quarter dividend.

Marshalls falls

Pre-tax profits at Marshalls the bricks to concrete products manufacturer, plunged by 45 per cent to £9.21 million in the six months to end-September, despite turnover ahead by 11 per cent to £104.6 million. The interim dividend stays at

Somic in the red Somic, the Preston paper spinner and weaver, has axed its interim dividend after the group slid into the red following pressure on margins. Somic had a pre-tax loss of £56,000 in the half year to end-September, against profits of £103,000.

Slingsby buys

Slingsby Aviation, a subsidiary of ML Holdings, is paying £430,000 for a large proportion of the assets, contracts and intellectual property rights of Airship Industries, the aviation company which went into liquidation in ectric Corporation has also agreed to buy some assets.

Ambrose ahead Ambrose Investment Trust reports a 12 per cent advance

in the net asset value per income share to 30.93p (27.68p) in the six months to end-September. The net asset value per capital share fell to 553.40p (648.16p). Pre-tax revenue increased from £804,000 to £912,000. The interim dividend is raised to 5.82p (5.28p).

CS bank deal

Crédit Suisse, the Swiss bank, has taken majority control of CS First Boston, the American investment bank, as part of a \$650 million equity injection in the troubled firm. CS Holding, Credit Suisse's holding company, said it would add \$300 million in equity in CS First Boston, lifting its shareholding from 44.5 per cent to 60 per cent.

Metro up 36%

Metro Radio Group, the Newcastle USM independent radio stations group which recently won control of Yorkshire Radio Network, had a 36 per cent advance in pre-tax BT still owns the wires that profits to £2.19 million in the carry the programmes, beyear to end-September. Turnover grew by 29 per cent to £8.37 million, Final dividend latest disposals, BT will conis 3.5p (2.5p), with a total of tract to carry the programme: 5p (3.75p).

Virgin seeks Tokyo flight from BA

VIRGIN Atlantic is appealing to the Civil Aviation Authority to order British Airways to drop one of its regular 15 weekly flights to Tokyo and enable Virgin, BA's smaller rival, to increase the number of its own services from four to six a week.

The application, which BA will strongly resist, follows mounting frustration within Virgin that all its attempts to increase its services to Tokyo's Narita airport have been blocked because the Japanese say the airport is full.

After inter-governmental talks this year, it was agreed that British carriers could have four more flights a week to Japan from this winter in addition to

the 17 they operated last summer. acceptable to the Japanese and that adamant that there is no more room Narita said it could take no more even if they did drop one service, the at Narita is constrained purely because of an agreement with local environmental groups which limits the number of flights allowed at

Tokyo's only international airport. By re-routing one flight, which went via Narita to Seoul in South Korea, BA was able to create the two additional slots for which permission had been granted while Virgin could

A Virgin official said: "All we want is for BA to re-route one Osaka flight so that it goes direct rather than via Narita and we could then have the two additional services which are so important to us." BA, however, is refusing to do so, claiming that such a substitution of airlines would not be

slot would be given to a foreign airline, probably from America, and would not be made available to

Virgin said: "Slots are like gold dust in Narita. We are being economical with ours by flying direct while BA is being profligate. We have bought two new aircraft which will be ready for use on the route by next summer and need an early decision by the CAA to force BA to make the changes and allow us to operate six times a week. It would not damage them at all and could even reduce their costs."

BA disagrees. A spokesman said: "We have tried all kinds of ways to help Virgin but the Japanese are

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LIG advances 16%

at Narita. Narita is constrained purely on environmental grounds and could easily double the number of flights quite safely, but substituting Virgin for us is not the answer and would almost certainly be rejected by the Japanese anyway, leaving us both the

The booming - and hugely profitable - Japanese market is being seriously affected by the lack of airport capacity with millions of Japanese wanting to visit Europe but no flights available to bring them here. Every aircraft is flying virtually full and airlines from both countries have been trying for months to persuade the Japanese to take on the

£11.6 million, but the contribution from building supplies shaped from £3.3 million to £2.8 million. Crossroads Oil surplus

CROSSROADS Oil, the oil and gas explorer based in Utah but quoted in London. reports net income of £16,700 for the six months to September, against losses of £93,200. Earnings a share were 0.04p (0.31p loss). The company said that the benefits of a deep drilling programme in Louisiana, to-gether with higher oil prices, would be felt during the

East Surrey Water payout

EAST Surrey Water is paying a maiden interim dividend of 3p a share for its first six months as a public limited company after converting from being a statutory water company last December. The company has reported taxable profits of £1.72 million for the six months to the end of September on turnover of £8.31 million. Earnings were

Rentaminster loss

RENTAMINSTER, the Third Market employment and training services group, passed its dividend after full-year losses following exceptional costs. The company slid to a pretax loss of £901,000 in the year to end-June, against a profit of £309,000 in the previous 13-month period. The company underwent shareholding and management changes this year. The loss was largely due to an exceptional debit of £846,000. There is a 7.43p loss per share for the year, against earnings of 5.5p last time. In the previous 13-month period, the dividend was 2p.

Randfontein sacks 1,100

WEAKER gold prices and rising production costs have cost 1,100 South African miners their jobs at Randfontein Estates, a member of the JCI mining group. The company will concentrate mining efforts at its Doornkop section on higher-grade zones, Randfontein's net profit has fallen 55 per cent to R153.2 miltion (£30.9 million) since

'Record level for copper'

MIM Holdings, the Austra-lian base and precious metals group, expects western world copper and lead consumption will be a record this year, and that consumption of zinc will almost be a record. Sir Bruce Watson, chairman, told MIM's annual meeting that demand for copper, lead and zinc remained firm. Any suggestions of an oversupply must be questioned".

Bowater in \$1bn deal

BOWATER, the packaging, printing and coating and laminates group, has signed a 12-year exclusive \$1 billion contract with Dynachem Electronic Group of America to supply a range of printing and coatings materials.

The contract will take up the capacity of Bowater's new \$26 million coating plant in Spartanburg, South Carolina but the plant can easily be expanded to come with further or classic say analysis.

Credit cards used

Body Shop bucks retail trend to advance 26% ernat BODY Shop International, opened in the first half, taking the total to 360 and pushing

the environmentally friendly toiletries retailer, is continuing to produce earnings and profits growth currently un-known elsewhere in the sector. The group says it is not experiencing the slowdown in sales reported by other retailers and is expecting a strong

Pre-tax profits grew 26 per cent to £6.7 million on sales up 39 per cent at £48.1 million in the six months to end-August Earnings per share rose 25 per cent to 2p and the interim dividend is 0.52p, an increase of 26 per cent.

The group has opened its 500th shop in Dusseldorf and sales from the international division outstripped sales from British stores for the first

Like-for-like sales growth in the British stores was 8 percent with a further 23 percent coming from the 15 shops opened in the first half.

Another 21 British Body Shops should be opened by the year-end in February, taking the total to 175, most of

Overseas, where the business is less mature, like-for-like sales growth was 25 per cent. A further 42 shops were 2p to 151p.

stakes in

sales growth to 62 per cent. The loss in America has fallen from £1 million to £800,000 and the business will be in profit in the second half, the

Gordon Roddick, Body Shop's chairman, says the British shops are continuing to attract new customers, and new products, such as the Mamatoto range for mothers-to-be and babies, are also encouraging sales growth,

The group is reviewing its hair care range, much of which has been in the shops for 15 years. The new range will be on sale from the middle of

The recent £29 million rights issue has reduced gearing from 99 per cent to about 10 per cent. The interest charge, which was £1.5 million in the first half, will be almost wiped out as a result. Mr Roddick says that recent

reports on the animal testing of cosmetics have not dented the business. "Anyone who knows us, knows our commitment to not testing on ami-mals," he says. The shares, which were trading at 322p in January, fell

of college students were sex-ually active but only 32 per cent used condoms, says Mr Woltz. He believes it is pos-sible to project the results on business. The samical glove busine due to the seneral economic condition but the sproup is million for the full year. The shares rose ip to 218p. Marite Company to be seen to Britain. of the British market. The condom market is BT to sell |TUC split on pay restraint

condom

By OUR INDUSTRIAL

cable TV By Ross Tieman INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT BRITISH Telecom has reached agreement to sell its stakes in cable television companies in Swindon, Coventry and Bracknell, almost com-

pleting its withdrawal from the cable television arona. The buyer is CUC Cablevision (UK), part of the Canadian CUC group. The price was not disclosed, but is believed to be several million pounds. BT said the timing of the announcement, on the day

the government published its review of the duopoly in wired networks between BT and Mercury, was "coincidental". BT is in talks to sell its remaining cable television interest, a 45 per cent holding in the franchise for Westminster. The company, one of the pioneers of cable television in

Britain, which has obtained seven franchises since 1984. decided to withdraw earlier this year, saying that the marketing, programming and billing activities of cable television companies bore little relation to its core business. BT has already sold its cable

interests in Aberdeen, Thames Valley and Ulster. However, cause they are integrated with its telephone network. In the to households.

AN OFFER by leaders of the Trades Union Congress to undertake a policy of wage restraint has been condemned as "unauthorised, inept and silly" by John Lyons, general secretary of the Engineers' and Managers' Association

The TUC last night insisted that the offer, highlighted at the National Economic Development Council on October 31, was intended as the basis for a discussion. "It was a proposal which had been put many times to the NEDC," said a spokesman. The attack, from the chair-

man of the TUC's energy committee, is the first serious general council (of the TUC),

chairman of Great Portland

Over the past three months,

lower values within the group's portfolio have been

reported by Hillier Parker, the

agent, Mr Peskin says, and

despite the recent cut in interest rates he expects the

trend to continue.

chief executive of London

International Group which makes condoms, is watching

the debate in New York over

the availability of condoms in

the city's schools (Gillian

He is anticipating the time when vending machines will

be a feature of New York high

Recent research shows that

two-thirds of American high

school pupils and 80 per cent

Bowditch writes).

A report in The Times of November 27 anticipated the Times." offer. It was subsequently put forward in a paper by six TUC leaders, led by Norman Willis, TUC general secretary, to an NEDC meeting chaired by Michael Howard, the employment secretary. It was rejected by the government.

Mr Lyons launched his attack in the latest edition of the EMA journal. The EMA leader criticises both the nature of the offer and the manner in which it was made. He writes. "There is no authority invested in the authors of the paper to make such an offer. No member of the

Property 'still falling'

By OUR CITY STAFF

Higher interest rates also

boosted Great Portland's inv-

estment income so that net

financing charges were almost

static at £4.34 million. In the

half year, £2.57 million of

interest was capitalised, com-

pared with £2 million in 1989.

Property trading income

PROPERTY values continue to fall and have further to go, according to Richard Peskin, million, against £6.7 million

But a 26 per cent rise in from Bride Hall, the associate

rental income to £27.9 million company, slumped from £1.8

in the first half of the year million to £558,000. Pre-tax

aign of a split within the upper other than the six repre-reaches of the TUC over the sentatives on the NEDC, had vance of the leak to The

Watching the American debate with interest: LIG's chairman Alan Woltz

a year and LIG's advance in the operating level, an in-Europe has been particularly strong, helping to boost group

The results were in line with

ALAN Woltz, chairman and advancing at about 5 per cent contributed £11.1 million at

strong, helping to boost group pre-tax profits by 16 per cent to £18.8 million in the six

months to end-September. Sales rose 7.5 per cent to

£186 million and earnings per

share rose 13.7 per cent to

9.4p. The interim dividend

creased 11 per cent to 3p.

There was a £600,000

vending machine

extraordinary charge due to the cost of franchising the

He adds: "Trade unions have no more responsibility for curing inflation than banks, or the exchange markets, or the City, or people who sell their houses for the highest price they can get. It is inept of the TUC to imply that

A TUC spokesman said TUC submissions to the NEDC were aimed to reflect the distilled views of the TUC and its affiliated unions. It was "not a cast-iron statement of TUC policy". Mr Willis has since written to TUC-affiliated unions explaining what was said and why.

profits rose from £16.2 million

to £19.7 million, an increase of 22 per cent, and the board has

declared an interim dividend

of 3.4p per share, 13 per cent

remains patchy, there is reasonable demand for the

right product at the right level

of rent, Mr Peskin says. He is

optimistic that second-half

profits will be broadly in line

with those of the first half.

Great Portland shares slipped

Though the lettings market

higher than last year.

Dividend is maintained at Meyer

expectations but moves to try

to dispose of its Spanish

wholesale photo-processing business, which could lead to

an extraordinary second-half

debit of £4 million to £8 million before tax relief, surprised the City. The photoprocessing division made operating profits of £12.5 mil-

The trading environment in

the second half remains tough

lion, up 15.7 per cent.

By MARTIN WALLER

the building industry and heavy costs of restructuring its heating and plumbing merchants activities caused pretax profits at Meyer International, the building materials distributor, to fall from £40.5 million to £25.8 million in the six months to end-September. But the company is maintaining its interim dividend at 4.2p. Other factors restricting profits were a slump from £7.

million to £2.5 million in profits from property sales and the non-recurrence of £3.6 million earned from the company's 21 per cent stake in Travis Perkins, which was sold in February. Sir Oscar DeVille, the chairman, said the fall in operating profits from the long-established builders merchants and

timber operations had been held to 10 per cent, He admitted Meyer had been too ambitious in its plans to re-focus its Cadel heating and plumbing merchants business to serve the smaller builder. Cadel lost £2.1 million at the operating level, against £600,000 profit last time.

The signs for a recovery at Cadel were good, Sir Oscar said, with a 20 per cent sales increase already achieved be tween September and October. Analysts expect pre-tax profits in the £46 million region for the full year.

less, says survey By LINDSAY COOK, MONEY EDITOR THE difficult conditions in PEOPLE are using their credit said the decrease in use indicated concern to control cards less than a year ago,

according to a survey published by Abbey National today. The bank, which does not have a credit card, says the main group to cut down is the 25- to 34-year-olds. In this group 42 per cent said they were using credit cards less compared with 22 per cent who said they were using them more. Almost a third of cardholders claimed to be slowly than inflation. About using them less, although in 500,000 active card users had the 18 to 25 group, 41 per cent cancelled accounts since the said they were using them annual charge came in. Sever-more and only 25 per cent had al hundred thousand dormant

spending. High mortgage rates probably had the greatest effect on 25- to 34-year-olds. The introduction of annual charges by two credit card companies was another factor. The survey of 2,000 was carried out by Mori before last month's bank base sates cut. Barclays said credit card 1...

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turnover was rising more cut down. Abbey National accounts had been closed.

Clyde to buy BP **Dutch interests**

By MARTIN BARROW

independent oil company, has agreed to buy BP's exploration and production interests in The Netherlands for £68 million, to be financed from

The portfolio includes interests in 23 offshore exploration blocks, with an average interest of 37.5 per cent, and two onshore areas. Clyde will assume the operation of nine

CLYDE Petroleum, the UK offshore blocks, including the Q/8 producing field. Production of assets being

acquired is 14 million cubic feet of gas a day, rising to 17 million by 1994. Clyde's existing production amounts to almost 45 million. Cash flow from operations in 1989 was £8.2 million. Clyde is expected to take responsibility for the operations by the end of next

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on the City at least, the government's far-ranging pro-

posals for reform of tele-

communications will be much of

a damp squib. The ending of the

Mercury/British Telecom duo-

poly, the opening up of trunk

networks to other users and

many of the minor details had

been well signalled in advance for



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those with the power to interpret The train in 1182 miles of the control of AAN and controls of the control of th the sign language. the pro-competition policies for telecommunications that have The second production of the second production trent from building by been in force for most of the Thatcher years and that will surely be recalled as one of their unqualified successes. It is easy East Surrey to forget that 10 years ago, there was no choice of service. Water pay customers were not allowed to buy their own phones and Fari surrey Water in the control of the share for cellphones were a mere boffin's continued to the contin

That said, the next decade will see British Telecom under increasing pressure from Mercury, its sprightly rival, especially in the field of international calls. BT may well lose substantial business to the Government Data Network, to the existing cellular phone operators, which

More phones less fuss in the 1990s

will in future be allowed to run fixed services, and to the cable TV networks, which will have freedom to offer telephone services with their soap operas and B movies.

But the pressure comes mostly The changes are in line with on BT's top line, its revenue growth. Shareholders have become increasingly aware that its operating ratios still compare unfavourably with others internationally and there are great swathes of dead wood inside the organisation yet to be pruned away. BT still has the ability in a growing market to maintain strong earnings growth if it is determined about good housekeeping.

Mercury will go from strength to strength. It alone of the actual and potential competitors to BT has anything like the infrastructure and critical mass necessary to take speedy advantage of the equal acess provisions of the government proposals. But equal access is at

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least two years away in practice. and dealing facilities.

Eurolist is the second proposal It will take that long to install software for BT to cope.

Euromarkets

the heads of Europe's stock exchanges know there is a great deal at stake when they meet in Dublin on Thursday. The decision on how to develop a pan-European stock market could determine where the financial centre of the European Community will be located in the next century.

The debate is focusing on three distinct proposals. There is Euroquote, which in its initial phase promises to be a screenbased company news and share information service, available throughout the EC. The second and third phases would introduce bargain confirmation

for the development of crossborder share dealing. This suggests a unification of listing requirements in European Community countries, which would allow large companies to trade on all 12 of the member states' stock markets.

Britain is backing the third scheme, the European Wholesale Market. Details are still sketchy, but this would involve the creation of a thirteenth European Community stock market, a screen-based system which would quote prices on all major European and international shares. Sounds familiar? It is distinctly like Seaq International, the Stock Exchange's current system, which carries 80 per cent Europe's cross-border share

deals. The Stock Exchange claims to have the backing of practitioners for its plans. If the European Wholesale Market triumphs, it may well confirm London's dominance in European equity business.

Eurolist by contrast poses a real threat to the City. If European investors can buy shares from their local exchange, they would no longer need to bring their business here.

Sharp move

ord Sharp's appointment as a non-executive director of Carlton Communications scotches suggestions of City pressure to oust Michael Green as chairman and chief executive. The story looks to be a classic case of crossed wires with the wrong interpretation attributed to advance whispers of board changes at the group. Yesterday's announcement had been planned

for some time and would have been earlier but for the fact that Lord Sharp, former chairman of Cable & Wireless, has been on a trip to Japan introducing his

Those close to Green say that there has been no institutional pressure for change at the top. He is said to be agnostic about the eventual need for a separation of function as his fast-growing company becomes even larger. But he is the sort of self-made man who would never have such moves forced on prematurely.

The appointment of Lord Sharp is a coup for Carlton. Under his leadership, C&W left behind the civil service culture which dominated before privatisation and became as hard nosed and commercial as any of its competitors. In the process, its profits grew from £62 million in 1981 to £527 million last year.

Lord Sharp's arrival should help with the restoration of confidence in Carlton which has been taking place over the past few months following a period when the group's shares were almost in free fall.

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THE attack on Lancashire & London Investment Trust has thrown a spotlight on the empire of the late Sir Walter Salomon, one of the last great Salomon, one of the last great Salomon, one of the last great company side of City mognis. Anglo-Scandinavian Trust, formed barely a year ago, is intent on breaking up Lancashire and the other trusts in the group to realise their asset values. their asset values.

But it has been b But it has been blocked by a

web of cross-holdings that has ensured the group's safety for more than 30 years. Anglo-Scandinavian has fired the latest salvo in the battle. It has used the little-

battle. It has used me must known section 214 of the Companies Act to discover the true beneficiaries of An-stait Für Handel und Anlagen, the mysterious Liechtenstein trust which holds the key to control of the entire group. With Section 214 anows shareholder with more than 10 ner cent in a company to

10 per cent in a company to order the board to issue 212 notices to any other shareholder. A section 212 notice requires a shareholder to reveal the true beneficial owner of any shares. Despite this approach, the

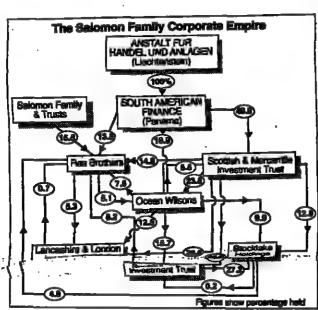
true nature of the anstalt or trust holding is likely to remain a mystery. Liechtenstein anstalts have no shareholders. Instead they have trustees. Handel and Anlagen is beaded by Dicter Timm, a former discount of Section 200 Section founding charter and their

But the Salomon family anstalt, it was used by Sir Walter as the foundation for an empire which today stretches over three investment trusts, two overseas traders and Rea Brothers, a

merchant bank. The anstalt owns 100 per cent of South American Finance, a Panamanian holding company. This in turn owes 49.9 per cent of Scottish and Mercantile, the largest trust, and 13.5 per cent of Rea

These, through a network of cross-holdings, give the trust and the Salomon family control of all the trusts except Lancashire & London, where

Untangling the web of Salomon's empire



cent of the votes.

Sir Walter, a Jewish refugee from Nazi Germany, built his industrial and investment fiefdom in the Fifties and Sixties around Rea Brothers.

The structure worked like a Swiss watch. The trusts and Stocklake, an African trading group, and Ocean Wilsons, a Brazilian shipping company, provided management and corporate finance business for Sir Walter's City interests, The trusts, in turn, were tame investors for the industrial companies. But Sir Walter was obsessed by security, perhaps a legacy of the upheavals be suffered when young. He

sci dus interests intriguing pattern of crossholdings, many without an obvious reason.

For many years the Liechtenstein anstalt was kept secret. It admitted its holding in Scottish and Mercantile only in 1988, after Sir Walter's death, and 15 years after buying it. It was even undisclosed when Herr Timm was a Scottish and Mercantile director between 1978 and 1987. Sir Walter's heirs admit the non-disclosure was a breach of the Companies Act. Sir Walter died in 1987 and William, his son, joined Finsbury Asset Management, the investment manager for the

unaware of the workings of the anstalt, but says his family has never benefited from it. "It was simply something that was never discussed at home. When I joined Fins-

three trusts. He claims to be

bury and started to look at the different companies, I kept asking myself why everything was so complicated. There were things I simply didn't understand."

Since 1989, Finsbury has tried to simplify the structure. Two companies, Northern Shipbuilding and Fashion & General, have been wound up since they were little more than shells. The number of cross-holdings has reduced. Ocean Wilsons, for example, now has a modest eight links to other group companies; it used to have eleven. Each trust has been given a distinct focus, William Salomon argues. Lancashire, for example, is intended to specialise in smaller companies. Other changes are under way.

But William and his colleagues at Finsbury have a new priority, to defend the group against Anglo-Scandinavian. The showdown is due on December 6, when Anglo-Scandinavian has ordered an extraordinary meeting at Lancashire & London, to demand that the trust should be wound up and that SO should be appointed to run the trust instead of Finsbury.

Anglo-Scandinavian holds 28.2 per cent of Lancashire, 10.6 per cent of Scottish and Mercantile voting shares and 15.8 per cent of Scottish Cities. The investments have taken up a large part of the £20 million it raised when it was

Richard Granville, Anglo-Scandinavian's chairman, was attracted by asset discounts of up to 30 per cent on the trust's share prices. These are even larger once discounts on the cross-holdings are taken into account. The prize is a rich one if Anglo-Scandinavian finds how to unlock the trusts. But Sir Walter's empire looks unlikely to succumb easily.

> **NEIL BENNETT** Banking Correspondent

Warburg quality shines through

INVESTMENT bankers are already looking battle-scarred from the effects of the invasion of Kuwait. Even a firm as strong as SG Warburg could not avoid a 35 per cent fall in pre-tax profits to £66.3 million in the six months to September, and made it clear that things were not getting better.

Volumes in corporate fi-nance and equities, Warburg's two main streams of business, have been hit badly. The fall in world equity markets following the Iraqi invasion also caused a decline in profits of 11 per cent to £25.21 million at Mercury Asset Management, Warburg's 75 per cent-owned subsidiary.

Last year's revenue included an estimated £25 million from the formation of Isosceles. The firm has stayed ahead by innovation.

Despite the setback, War-burg is continuing to develop. Forty per cent of its staff now work overseas, and the company is becoming a force in corporate finance throughout Europe. In the short term, the outlook is bleak, particularly for Mercury. At least both Warburg and Mercury held

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their interim dividends at 4.5p

Warburg should make £120 million in the year, putting its shares at 303p on a price/earnings ratio of 10. Mercury's prospective p/e ra-tio is also 10, if it reaches £46 million. Unexciting in the short-term, Warburg's quality is attractive for investors with longer outlooks.

De La Rue

DE LA RUE's sharply improved interim profits performance - pre-tax up from £16.6 million to £28.3 million owes more to better management than to good

Shot of the previous loss

makers, which tore a nasty hole via provisions in last year's accounts, and blessed with firmer order books, De La Rue looks more confident than for some time. The trick now is to improve productivity further within the businesses it knows best, and restore profits - and their operating profits falling from

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quality - to their former glory. The net interest paid, at £1.33 million compared with a net receipt of £1.34 million, is a hangover from the exit from Crosfield and reflects redundancy payments. An interim dividend maintained at 3.25p is no more than can be expected in uncertain times, though a higher final seems likely.

The 21.7 per cent stake previously held by Robert Maxwell is now with 40 different institutions, which clearly take the view that De La Rue is set for better days. Possible pre-tax profits of £67 million (£38.5 million) put the shares at 270p on a prospective rating of 9, equivalent to an 8 per cent discount to the market. They remain worth

Unigate

buckter.

THE market is used to thin rations from Unigate. In the six months to end-September, the motor and distribution side hit a cyclical downturn,

The fresh food side was flat at £11.6 million and property profits halved to £1.4 million.

The original milk side did well, rising 12 per cent to £11.3 million, poultry recov-ered and the American restaurant business prospered, helped by translation at \$1.56.

The fall in pre-tax profits from £44.2 million to £41.5 million, down 3 per cent ex-property, was still bad enough for full-year forecasts to be downgraded. With poultry relapsing again, underlying second-half profits will be no better, even before the lower property contribution. On £95 million for the full year, the shares at 266p would sell at 9.4 times earnings and yield 7.7 per cent on an unchanged dividend.

Following the forced exit of Larry Goodman, the main excitement lies in the appointment of Ross Buckland, formerly of Kellogg, as chief executive. Unigate certainly peeds to focus itself as a food company and develop brand strengths. Unigate is an income stock with mediumterm potential, but there are

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in interests in the crown LIFE has taken an exotic turn for Russell Middleton, former managing director of ANZ McCaughan Securities, which pulled out of British stockbroking this year. For Middleton, now a director of Chescor, a merchant bank based in London's West End, is masterminding the launch of a mutual fund that plans to invest in just one country -India. While some foreign financial houses, including Merrill Lynch and Morgan Stanley, manage such funds, it is the first to be launched by a British finance bonse. "India is well placed to outperform most markets in the region," says Middleton, aged 43, who severed his links with ANZ McCaughan in August. "I have been visiting India for six years and usually find myself with some stockbroker

somewhere." A new company, Perpetual Chescor, is being set up to run the fund, which will be managed in Bombay and sponsored by an Indian bank.
It is something I have wanted to do for a long time," adds Middleton, who began his career with McCaughan Dyson, the Melbourne institutional stockbroker that merged with Capel-Cure Myers in November 1987.

Punter's debut

ONE of the most successful punters the City has known is poised to make his debut as a fund manager - provided, that is, that someone will hire

Chescor's jewel anything to go by, Graham Morris should have little difficulty. Morris, a building contractor in Bournemouth, has called the market successfully on more occasions than he cares to remember. He claims to have predicted the Eighties bull market, and at the time of the 1987 crash held 90 per cent of his portfolio in gilts and 10 per cent in put options. "I read anything and everything to do with stock markets," says with stock markets," says Morris, aged 40, who claims to

know intuitively whether to buy or sell. The former Ladbroke index described him as its most consistently successful client, and Morris now plans to offer his services to British investment bouses. The future, however, does not look too hopeful. If his predictions are correct, the FT-SE 100 will fall from its present BRITISH RAIL TELECOM **=** =

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him. But if track records are level of 2,050 to a low of 600 personalised car number points - a 70 per cent drop within the next three years.

Hurley-burly

TERRY Hurley, the former Chicago commodities dealer who came to London in 1984 to set up Merrill Lyoch's equity sales desk, was making the most of his spare time this week. For Hurley, now the company's director of equity trading in Europe, has been chosen to head the Security Traders Association for a second two-year term. "We are often consulted by the Securities and Exchange Commission on rule changes and other issues," says Hurley, aged 56, who joined Merrill in 1978 after a five-year spell with the Chicago Board of Trade. "The screen-based trading systems have become too quick for people, and we like to stress the human element." In addition to his new stint as governor of the 6,500 member STA, Hurley is chairman of the International Equity Dealers Association, a London version of the STA There has been little contact between competitors since the old trading floor closed, and this is a way of correcting

that," he adds. Not this number SIR Nicholas Goodison, the

publicity-shy head of the TSB Group and former chairman of the International Stock Exchange, clearly believes in setting an example for his employees. For he has turned TSB I, the latest in a string of

plates to be released by the transport department. The plate, thought to be worth between £25,000 and £35,000, is to be auctioned by Christie's on December 7, but Goodison has no plans to attend. "That seems an awful waste of money," says Goodison, aged 56, who prefers to spend his spare time studying the his-tory of furniture, clocks and barometers. "It's a form of ostentation in which we would not indulge." Other numbers due for auction include ! FT, valued at between £15,000 and £25,000, YEN 1 which might fetch £15,000, and TAX 1T, ideal for the Inland Revenue, and with a price tag of

Logical Vulcan WORRIED by their failing

farm economy, the inhabitants of the tiny Canadian town of Vulcan (population 1,400), have hit on an unusual way of attracting business. They are turning the town into Star Trek theme park. Vulcan, Mr Spock's home planet in the television series aims to have the park open in time for the release of Star Trek VI, the feature film, next year, which marks the 25th anniversary of the first series. As well as building a Star Trek museum, hosting annual Star Trek conventions and beaming down a statue of the Starship Enterprise onto the highway, traders have taken to wearing pointed Vulcan-style ears. Quite logical.

JON ASHWORTH

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US rethinks policy on airlines

IN NEW YORK

THE US transport department is considering lifting the restrictions on foreign ownership of US airlines, amid continued financial difficulties for the industry which is threatening a major

The move comes amid a battle for control of Pan Am's five main routes to Heathrow airport and a 70 per cent increase in US fuel costs which is threatening to cripple some carriers.

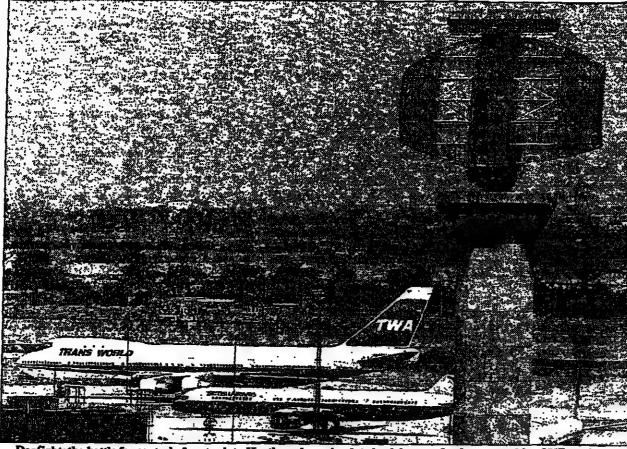
UK and US transport officials met in London yesterday to discuss access into Heathrow prior to a wider meeting in Washington later this month on the issue of liberalising routes between London and the US.

By lifting or modifying the present 25 per cent restriction on foreign companies' stakes in US airlines, the American government would be giving up bargaining power over routes into foreign countries.

It is unlikely to do so without some concessions from the UK and other goveraments on flights into their countries. At the weekend TWA announced a \$450 million bid for Pan Am with the proviso that Pan Am withdraw from its planned deal to sell five routes between the US and London to United Air-

lines for \$400 million. The Pan Am-United deal is due to close today and a spokesman for Pan Am said-We are still hopeful of completing the deal as

The Pan Am-United deal and TWA's offer for Pan Am are subject to regulatory approval, and the TWA offer in particular would face close scrutiny as it would effectively lock up two-thirds of the flights between the US and London's Heathrow airport with Pan Am, TWA and Continental Airlines, which British Airways the only carriis carrying heavy debts, is also



Dogfight: the battle for control of routes into Heathrow has stir

Heathrow on US-UK routes. American Airlines, which is still awaiting approval for its purchase of one TWA route into Heathrow, has also offered to pay a higher price for routes than offered by United, but Pan Am rejected this bid, saying it had already moved

Sam Buttrick an airline analyst with Kidder Peabody. said yesterday: "The transport department is being forced to make some policy changes because the flood of route sales requires some re-thinking of its present policy,"

ers presently allowed to use seeking to sell its international but passenger traffic has risen routes and is jockeying with Delta Airlines about the sale of its Pacific routes.

The US airline industry, according to independent analysts Airline Economics, will lose \$1.5 billion this year after an operating profit last year of

too far with United on the Since the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq in early August, jet fuel prices have increased by 70 per cent, adding to the woes of the industry which was already suffering from heavy debts and decreased

both international and domestic capacity for US airlines will see a major rationalisation of \$103 million, but this was

launch a full bid for Telecom. Such a bid could receive the

performance of the shares

since they were first floated.

But last night brokers doubted

sentiment was overshadowed by another shaky performance by the pound. Dealers re-

ported a two-way pull which reduced a early 19-point rise

in the FT-SE 100 index to just

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marked competition national flights are excluded

increased by less than 4 per In the 12 months ended June this year, total passenger traffic increased by 5.5 per cent, with international traffic up 11.3 per cent and domestic traffic by just 3.6 per cent. Last week a delegation of

US airline chiefs met Sam Skinner, transport secretary, seeking some allowances from the government for the increase in jet fuel prices and warned if no action was taken both international and domes- the next three months could increase 8 per cent this year the industry, leading to a after used sales.

Among US carriers, American Airlines, United Airlines and Delta Airlines are in strong financial shape, but the other carriers are carrying heavy debts, leaving little room to cope with higher fuel costs and fewer passengers in the first nine months this year Pan Am, which did not report a profit for the last

decade, reported a loss of \$268.8 million. TWA, which was taken private by Carl Icahn in 1988 in a leveraged buyout leaving debts of \$750 million, made a

has held talks with the board of Kanthof, the Cologne stores chain, with a view to forming an airline based in Berlin. The Germans would hold 51 per cent of the company.

A link-up with Kanthof could also provide a useful ally for BA in its pursuit of a large minority stake in Interflug, the former East German state airline. Though Lufthansa, the Ger-

man national carrier, is insisting that it should obtain 100 per cent control of Interflug, Jens Odewald, the Kaufhof group chairman, is the newly-appointed head of the super-visory board of Treuhandanstalt, the agency responsible privatising east German state

ts, including Interflug. Herr Odewald would clearly be unable to use his position interests, but, as head of a had also been in discussion

British Airways in talks on German airline venture

By COLIN NARBROUGH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

mined to remain an important Interflug is not just handed over to Lufthansa with no part of the German market, exposure to competition. BA provides no separate figures for its hacrative German operations, which until now have benefited from spe-

cial rights, granted by the Allied powers, which kept Lufthansa out of Berlin. These privileges ended formally last month when Germany regained full sovereignty over its BA is being given three

years to reduce its Berlin services. The first cut of 20 per cent is to be made in next summer's schedules. BA confirmed that the airline had been holding talks with "business interests" in Germany, but declined to

Kauthof was more open, with a spokesman saying BA had held "general dis-

BRITISH Airways, deter- likely to want to ensure that panies, he said, though no

Karstadt, Kaufhof's rivel has already established links with Air Europe, via a Ge. man company, Nurmberger Flugesellschaft, and Kaufhof. own package holiday open. tions could well justify enter. ing the charter business. Law year, close to DM1.5 billion of the company's DM13 billion

turnover was in tourism. BA is keen to make progress on its venture, which would absorb its present internal German operations, and be free to apply for international routes from Germany, before the cuts start to bite into its Berlin business. By contrast. Kaufhof is clearly relaxed about a possible deal.

Its spokesman made clear that the goal uppermost in its mind at present is building up its market share in east Germany. It already has three there to promote Kaufholf's cussions" with the board. BA cooperation deals there, but wants to open stores under its private-sector company, he is with other German com- own name as soon as possible.

'Dumping' tax on cassettes

THE European Community Commission is to impose provisional anti-dumping dunes on audio tapes and cassettes from Japan, South Korea and Hong Kong. The duties will be 22.3 per

cent on audio tapes from Japan, 19.4 per cent on tapes from South Korea, and 24 per cent on those from Hong

The commission defines dumping as the practice by foreign producers of charging lower prices in an export market than at home.

The commission said an investigation had found Japa- cant prejudice" because of the cent.

tapes and cassettes between 44.5 and 80 per cent more cheaply in the community than in Japan. South Korean companies sold the goods between 3.1 and 19 per cent more cheaply than at home. and Hong Kong companies at between 0.43 and 2.4 per cent, the study found.

The study was begun in January 1989 after a complaint from the European Confederation of Chemical Industries.

community audio tape prod-ucers had "suffered a signifi-

imposing the duties "to eliminate this bias and allow the community industry to realise reasonable profits and recoup their sales.

Imports from the three countries had risen by 38 per cent from Ecu154 million in 1985 to Ecu212 million in 1988, the commission said.

Their market share rose by 10 per cent during the period. The commission said prices charged by EC producers fell significantly during the same period. Sales declined by 8.5 per cent despite an increase in consumption of 30

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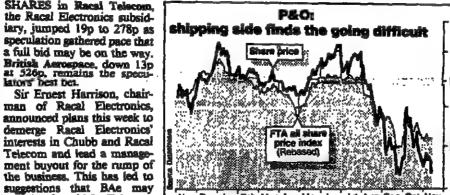
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STOCK MARKET

Racal Telecom jumps on hopes of bid from British Aerospace



Nov Dec Jan Feb Mer Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov backing of some institutions enove, was also forced to find which are dismayed at the a home for a further line of 1 million shares. But claims that Cazenove had downgraded its profits forecast seem wide of such suggestions. Rucal the mark. The company is in Electronics ended 5p higher at its close season and is not talking to anyone.
P&O, the shipping, prop-

market enjoyed an early mark-up, helped by overnight gains fell 15p to 469p after BZW

in New York and Tokyo. But confirmed it had downgraded the best gains were not held as its profit forecasts. Ian Wild,

75.3 per cent of the shares issued to finance the £59 million acquisition of Hardwicke Chemical in America had been taken up by shareholders. The halance was left with the underwriter, Rob- months and some fund : ert Fleming, or placed in the

Reuters, the international news agency, continued to improve with a rise of 10p to

Acsis, Daryil Phillips's marketing services group, has seen its shares slide from a year's high of 85p to close unchanged at 22p yesterday. Analysts are worried about prospects despite a series of "recession-proof" acquisitions and BZW recently cut its 4.1 points at 2,056. The appearance of a few sellers million. We should hear soon from Mr Phillips.

appearance of a few sellers raised turnover to 422 million shares as the FT index of 30 an analyst, has trimmed his shares rose 3.9 to 1,593.6. estimates for the current year Government securities lost a and next year by £25 million lead of £1/2 to finish virtually to £300 million. The shipping unchanged. side is now struggling because Pilkington, the glass manu- of the Middle East troubles facturer, fell 15p to 145p. It and rising costs. Trafalgar looks as if Smith New Court. House lost a 5p lead to finish the broker, has taken a line of 2p lower at 163p in sympathy. 5 million on its books. The group's own broker, Caz-cals supplier, rose 2p to 142p

628p after giving several presentations for analysts in the City.

British Telecom firmed 3p nied by a bearish statement to 260p on the back of the Sir David Scholey, chairm publication of the govern-said that there were few signals and the statement's disease. ment's duopoly report on the telecommunications industry. dividend left the shares lts rival Cable and Wireless lower at 303p. fell 6p to 431p. County NatWest

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1,000 points	The World	566.5	1.1	-32.5	1.5	-24.0	1.3	-18.1
	(Trees)	108.3	1.1	-32.0	1.4	-24.0	1.3	-18.1
Tokyo	EAFE	993.4	20	-36.2	2.1	-31.2	2.2	-22.2
PRICES closed sharply higher	(free)	102.1	2.0	20.2	20	-31.A	22	-22.4
on external factors and share	Europe	594.6	0.3	-21.9	0.3	-19.2	0.5	4.7
index futures arbitrage related	(free)	128.6	0.2	-21.3	0.0	-18.9	0.5	-4.1
buying of the cash indices.	Nth America	398.3	-0.4	-26.0	-0.2	-9.7	-0.2	-8.7
News of a merger between	Mordic	1131.1	0.8	-27.3	1.0	-21.B	1.0	-114
Saitama Bank and Kyowa	(frae)	189.5	0.7	-19.4	0.9	-13.8	1.0	-1.7
Bank in the late afternoon	Pacific	2208.3	3.3	~44.3	3.6	-33.6	3.6	321
fuelled more gains.	Far East	3197.0	3.4	-44.8	3.7	-39.4	3.7	32.6
The Nikkei average surged	Australle	238.1	0.9	~31.5	1.2	-15.1	1.1	-16.4
1,041.87 points, or 4.54 per	Austria	1330.5	1.8	-10.5	1.8	-4.6	2.1	8.2
cent, to 23,973.67 in mod-	Belgium	724.4	-0.1	-26.4	-0.2	23.2	0.1	-103
erately active volume of 400	Canada	397.1	0.0	-33.0	0.2	-18.8	0.3	-19.4
million shares, compared with	Dermark	1148.4	0.0	-12.9	0.3	-8.5	0.2	6.2
320 million shares on Friday.	Finland	64.3	-1.3	44.2	-1.0	-40.4	-1.0	-320
Monday was a national	(fine)	87.5	0.9	-41.2	1.1	-37.2	1.1	-28.4
holiday for Emperor Akihito's	France	602.6	0.6	-25.5	0.6	-21.9	0.9	-9.1
enthronement ceremony. The	Germany	695.3	-0.1	24.2	-0.8	-19.3	0.1	-7.6
Nikkei's advance in terms of	Hong Kong	1887.6	1.5	-14.9	1.6	3.7	1.7	3.8
points was the eighth biggest	Italy	260.7	0.5	-32.4	0.4	-27.8	0.7	-17.5
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sharply higher on buying	New Zealand	57.5	1.8	-44.2	1.4	-34.0		
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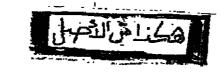
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The market will not stay in the doldrums for ever, and buyers keen to invest are spoilt for choice. Remember, it is unwise for anybody to take out too large a loan on an asset that could prove

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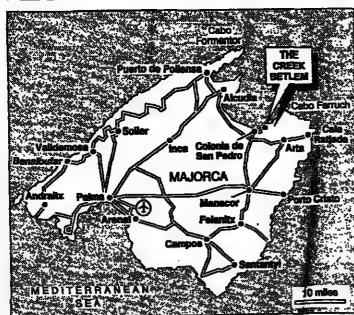
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Up the Creek, awaiting buyers

The Spanish market is in the doldrums, which

means possible new bargains for investors.

Diana Wildman looks at an island in the sun



"townhouse" approach to new developments is popular. Similar European schemes, based mostly on the original concept of Port Grimand, can be found in the

south of France. A large swimming-pool and clubhouse is nearing completion, and there are tennis courts and boat moorings. Undoubtedly, however, The Creek is for those seeking rural tranquillity as well as the sophisticated way of life that was in the developer's mind.

There are plans for 103 homes eventually and a second phase of 19 is under construction and due for completion in September 1991. Prices in phase one range from £100,000 for a two-bedroom apartment to £175,000 for a three-

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double bedrooms upstairs. The property also includes some dere-lict outbuildings. Naomi Greatbanks, of Hamptons, is seeking offers of about £475,000.

Majorca, perhaps the prettiest spot on the island, is popular with the boating fraternity and has a splendid yacht club.

Andraitz Villas is building six modern three and four-bedroom

Puerto Andraitx, in southwest

The established Bendinat Estate, an 850-acre development at Illetas, west of Palma, has been a success. Although sales are slack at present, nearly all the 194 apartments that make up The

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The Anchorage is its citio, set back-from a small private beach with its own swimming-pool, restaurant, bar, lounge, gym and piano bar. Andrew Spence, Bendinat's marketing manager, says: "The stylish homes are designed in traditional Mediterranean Provencal style and attract the international businessman, not least because Bendinat is less than 20 minutes from the airport, making weekending a practical propos-

"The management service co-sures the apartments are looked after during an owner's absence. Rental returns, particularly during

July and August, are good." Three apartments are for sale at The Anchorage: two with two bedrooms at £200,000 and £290,000, and one with three bedrooms at £300,000.

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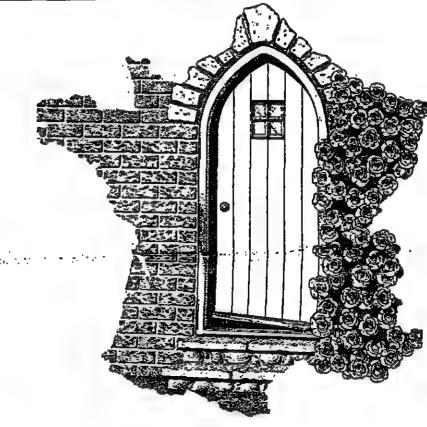
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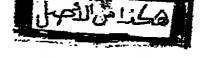
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The group has also received consent for its proposals to refurbish a 10,000 sq ft warehouse on the site, which was designed in 1908 for the White City exhibition and reassembled in

Imry Merchant Developers, in partnership with Pentagon Design & Construction, has been selected by Southampton city council to develop a 35-acre site in the centre of Southampton at Western Esplanade, which is occupied mainly by the Pirelli The scheme, costing an estimated £200 million, will

combine retail, business and leisure facilities. When complete, in 1995, it will contain 600,000 sq ft of retail space, 216,000 sq ft of

offices and 90,000 sq ft of leasure facilities.
Orien Martin, the director of Imry, says that Southampton was

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Slump sparks City rents war

Despite a drop in rents, causing developers to sell offices at reduced prices, London

remains one of the world's most expensive business centres, Christopher Warman writes

Europe in the past year as international demand has caused office rents in the two cities to rise by almost 30 per cent, the consultancy Healey & Baker, reports in its 1990 edition of "Office Locations across the World".

Despite this rental growth, space in these cities is relatively inexpensive when total occupation costs are considered. These rents, which include rates and other charges, amount to only £14 a sq ft in Amsterdam and £41 in Milan, compared with £80 in New York and £93 in London's West

Other European cities have

recorded increases. In Paris,

prime rents have risen from £38 to £47, and in Frankfurt from £22.50 to £28. Brussels rents went up by 15.3 per cent from about £10 to £11.50 and in Madrid the increase was 15 per cent, from £30 to £34.50. Across the world, the markets in London, New York and Chicago are the most sluggish, reflecting the depressed state of the British and American economies, with rents either rising slowly or falling. Top prime rents in the City of London fell by 8 per cent in the past year while in the West End they remained static. Tokyo is still the world's most expensive office location. Total

the property markets of occupation costs equate to £126 a Amsterdam and Milan sq ft, followed by London with £93 have outshone the rest of in the West End and £88 in prime City locations. In London, Healey & Baker says, the attractions of language, staffing and the financial environment outweigh the disadvantages of high costs.

The report says that in both the City and West End, demand remains buoyant for the larger quality buildings able to attract blue-chip companies, but this is not the case for smaller secondhand space, where take-up is slow. The reform of local business taxation in April 1990 has made tenants on existing leases cautious of committing themselves to new leases and thus double overheads, but developers are increasingly prepared to take on those existing commitments in order to attract

An important boost to the London market came with the decision to locate the European Bank for Reconstruction and Devel-opment here, and in the past year many large Japanese securities houses and banking organisations, including Daiwa Securities and the Industrial Bank of Japan, have agreed on terms to occupy space in

The investment market in London is dominated by overseas groups, particularly the Japanese, Swedish and Dutch, leaving UK

A rent of just below £55 a sq ft for a 15-year lease has been obtained for Skandia Property Management's Trafalgar Piace development. Johnson Matthey, the precious metals and advanced materials technology specialist, is moving from Hatton Garden, near London's Holborn Circus, to establish a new head office there. Allan Messing of Sinclair Goldsmith, which, with Matthews & Goodman, advised Skandia, says: "The West End office market, despite some recent comment, is still showing good tenant demand." research at Healey & Baker, said that in all European cities over the past year there had been an increase in the number of intertaking up offices.

"The deregulation of financial markets has boosted the emer-gence of the global property investment market, in terms of sources of finance and the destination of investment funds," he said, "There are increasing numbers of global property funds particularly active in major European

A quarterly survey of City of

London offices by Knight Frank & third quarter, while tenants are taking longer to complete deals Rutley confirms the difficulties because of the increased choice of facing the market. The company space available and the assumpreports that in the past six months, the market has moved from a tion that rents will continue to fail. landlords' to a tenants' market. In Developments under construcsuch a situation, the rent war in tion represent the equivalent of the City is continuing, with rents dropping by between 10 and 15 per cent during the latest quarter. about 18 months' total demand.

> million so ft now on the market. Knight Frank & Rutley predicts that rental growth will occur in the new space, but this is some way

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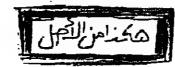
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Fouroux makes bid for power with renewal programme

THE seemingly innocuous and be replaced within two from his position as national seven-point programme for weeks. The "barons" of coach and chief selector, and the renewal of the French French rugby, the presidents only a federation statement game, presented by Jacques of the leading rugby regions, that cleared him of any wrong-Fouroux at a meeting of the have lost out to the chairmen doing prevented him from committee of the French federation (FFR), has thrown from the north, centre and the body into disarray.

iournalist and an adviser to and, have signed the proposal President Mitterrand during alongside Fouroux. the 1981 elections, the document demands priority for the Ferrasse was one of the vicgame, generosity, enthusiasm and youth, support for the values of rugby, concentration of expertise and experience, respect for differences of opin- entire operation. Ferrasse has ion, open government at all disclosed the background to levels, and a commitment to the situation and thrown light the future: in other words, it is a benign set of generalities far issues affecting French and better suited to a political international rugby. manifesto than the no-non-

sense world of rugby. The document represents of a renewal in French mously that the players should the electoral platform of Rugby," Ferrasse said. "Jac- not make money from the Fouroux and his friends. The programme, signed by 21 members of the 35-strong French committee, represents the last episode in the bitter power struggle between the new generation of administrators, led by Fouroux, and the old guard of the FFR

president, Albert Ferrasse. The signatures at the bottom of the programme were a dent of Agen club and vicevote of no-confidence in the president of the FFR, Guy federation committee. Ac-FFR, the committee - the

go under microscope

By DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

THE private and the public sectors of rugby in England will come together at Lensbury today when the Rugby Football Union's inclinical staff meet the new breed of club coaching administrators. Both are pro-fessionals in an emateur game, but, whereas the one side is paid y the governing body, the other funded by individual clubs.

The backgrounds of many of those involved are similar, but the purpose of today's dis-cussions is to find common ground between the sectors, for the general benefit of the game. An initial stumbling block, for example, could be the fact that by accepting positions as coach-ing directors, individuals are automatically excluded from coaching representative sides college in Dublin on Saturday.

The biggest crowd at a cinb match in Ireland will gather in the season. Malone almost cork on Saturday for the first division match between Constitution on the season. Malone almost correction of the division match between Constitution on the season. Season, losing the control of the cont coaching representative sides and, indeed, the specific XVs of

It requires a vivid use of the requires a vivid use of the imagination to believe that Barrie Corless, of Northampton, Colin McFadyesn, of Bristol, Tony Russ, of Leicester, Mike Mahoney, of Newcastle Gosforth, and Terry Burwell, of Newbury, divorce themselves from preparation of their from preparation of their respective first XVs. That must be particularly true when it is by the results of those first XVs they are likely to be judged, however simplistic a judgment

The terms of reference for the five differ, so the RFU officials will seek a common thread in three neess those of club administration, player-development internally and player-development externally. In the first area they will endeavour to discover the reaction of the coaching administrators to the club structures they have found and whether they have have here able and whether they have been able to have a significant effect on it.

The RFU's technical men will be interested to hear of the work achieved in terms of youth development in a wider area than just the club, of their relationships with schools and local authorities.

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of the lesser rugby "counties" the body into disarray.

Devised with the contribution of Jacques Seguela, a Maurette and Charles Dur-

According to one scenario, tims of the coup engineered by Fouroux. Another school of thought suggests that Ferrasse must have been aware of the on several other controversial

generation. It is the beginning ques Fouroux has tremendous qualities. He is a hard-working man full of enthusiasm, and very capable. He is a winner, He has a tendency to go too far too fast ... it is his temperament. He needs to be re-strained from time to time."

The controversy was precipitated by a vitriolic attack Basquet. While France were cused Fouroux of anything suing for libel

Ferrasse, who was hurt by the debate, was torn between Basquet, his friend for 50 years, and his heir-apparent, Fouroux.

But Basquet's more conservative outlook in commercial matters, including the question of amateurism, enjoys Ferrasse's support.

Ferrasse said: "On the ama-

teur status, we decided to retain the status quo in France. At the international board meeting, France has abstained. Had we voted against we would have killed the proposal of New Zealand "This was the end of a and Australia. But the French committee has agreed unanigame. I've always been in favour of payment for loss of income. I don't want players to lose money by playing the game. But I don't want them

to make money out of it.
"The British will find out to their own chagrin that the elitist structure they have adopted is carte blanche for been fighting a rearguard battle against French clubs paying their players for quite a while cording to the statute of the touring Australia, Basquet ac- and a new accounting system now in place makes it increaspower base of the anti- from incompetence to dis- ingly difficult for clubs to Fouroux faction - must resign honesty. Fouroux resigned abuse the system."

New breed Smith admonished after club enquiry

By GEORGE ACE

STEVE Smith, the Ballymens division championship because international booker and a of their addiction to ten-man member of the British Isles team rugby. That is nothing more that toured Australia last year, has been reprimended by his chib.

Smith was involved in a off.

chih.

Smith was involved in an official incident with his Garryowen counterpart, Derek Murphy, in last Saturday's All treland League gamic. Smith is alleged to have struck Murphy, who sustained facial injuries which required two strickes and was substituted at half-time.

Officials of both chihs disfurite the introduction of the All legal system and now have gail over their faces. "It has been the greatest thing to happen in Irish rugby in my ha

Officials of both chibs dis-cussed the incident, which went

There is a lesson to be cassed the incident, which went unnoticed by the referee and touch judges, after the game and it was agreed that Smith acted under extreme provocation.

An emergency committee meeting at the Bellymena club decided to reprimend Smith, who will play against St Mary's College in Public on Settretsy.

Cork on Saturday for the first division match between Constitution and Shannon, two of the three Munster clubs sitting at the top of the table. The third is Garryowen who, like Shannon, are based in Limerick.

There are those in Ireland who decry Munster rugby and have stated that it would be a bad thing for Ireland if a munster club won the first estand-off ball, played with an intensity of purpose that the Ballymena eight could not match.

Bates and Evans back to stiffen Tigers' line

By DAVID HANDS

IAN Bates and Barry Evans will return to Leicester's back division for the Courage Clubs Championship match with Bath at Welford Road on Saturday, the first of two significant games within the courage for the state of the course of the cour within eight days for the clubs, since they meet in the Pil-kington Cup third round on November 24.

Bates will resume his centre pairing with Dodge, since Buttimore has not played senior rugby for a month because of a damaged knee. Leicester hope to include Gissing, whose form has improved so much this season, in their second row against a Bath side unchanged from that which beat Harlequins 23-3.

Gloucester and Bristol, though, have made amendments to their league XVs. Gloucester move Marment to full back against Saracens because Tim Smith has a broken nose, and prefer Sims to Brain in play Orrell, move Thomas to stand-off half instead of Hogg and Hinkins wins a place at prop ahead of Hilton.

London Scottish have been joined by Harry Roberts, whose name has been associated with three other clubs this season. The hooker was linked with Richmond (to whom he moved last season) and Wasps before appearing once more in Leicester's colours this season. Now however, a Scottish family link will see him to the limit in the Now however, a Scottish family link will see him to play in the Exiles second XV this seckend.

Simon Robson, who toured Australia and Fiji with England in 1988, is reconsidering his future with Moseley, who have yet to win a league match this season. The scrum half has not been seen during the past fornight, during which time Bruce Fenley has been preferred.

• Will Carling, the England captain, returns to the Harle-quins team for the league game against Northampton at the Stoop on Saturday.

 Builders have completed safety work at Cardiff Arms Park in time for Saturday's match between the Barbarians and Argentina to go ahead.

NETBALL

Weakened East on top

By LOUISE TAYLOR

EAST triumphed in the inter- Gateshead Leisure Centre on regional tournament held in Ipswich last Saturday. Their win came at the end of a day that had opened in chaos when it was discovered that newly laid all-weather courts at the Northgate Leisure Centre were so slippery as to be unplayable.

The teams were transferred to three old, unused courts, and play resumed, leaving South East — last year's winners — second, East Midlands third and

It was an impressive achieve-It was an impressive achieve-ment for East, who were without Kendra Lowe, the England vice-captain, and Trudy Papafio, an England goal shooter, who were recovering from flu. South East missed Sally Young, the Eng-land goal defence, who had a twisted knee but she will be fit to start in the first of a three-match series against Australia at the Liverpool from the FA Cup.

Saturday night.

The action moves to the Granby Halls in Leicester on Wednesday night, and climaxes at London's Docklands Arena a

week on Saturday. Wendy Hale, from East Essex has dropped out of the England squad because she is pregnant, her place going to Lisa Driver, a goal defence from Derbyshire.

With England fourth in the world and Australia second, the fixtures at Gateshead and Leicester are already sell-outs. The matches are unlikely to be as close as the international rankings suggest. England have a record of almost unmitigated defeat against Australia and to win even one encounter against the visitors would be on a par with Leyton Orient eliminating

Expansion potential is high for fives RUGBY fives is a simple enough game to understand. It is, squash without the rackets. Try telling that to the dedicated fives player. To the fives faithful, squash is fives with rackets. It is most of the 60 courts are sited in schools or universities.

player. To the fives faithful, squash is fives with rackets. It is a small but important schools or universities.

The art of being a good fives The faithful had gathered in Oxford to watch the first challenge match on the university's two new glass-backed courts at the liftley Road gym. Backing on to the formur processors. player is knowing where there is a court to play on, but all that is changing. The Rugby Fives Association (RFA) is making a determined effort to organise to the famous track where Roger Bannister made history, the courts are making history, too. The first of their kind in the country, they are designed to itself and the game across the country, With around 2,000 players but only 150 RFA members, there is plenty of room for improvement.
"The game is played by a lot make rugby fives a spectator

Fives alive: Trying out one of the two new glass-backed rugby fives courts at Oxford University, the first of their kind to be built in this country

Alix Ramsay discovers the delights of playing squash without the rackets

RFA secretary, said. "The RFA is trying to target players at clubs to know who is playing and where. If we don't get organised, the game could die out."

Following Oxford's lead, Manchester YMCA is in the process of building four glassbacked courts. The club is home to Wayne Enstone, the undisputed No. 1 in the world. Enstone is a cheery soul who never stops smiling when he plays, even when he is running headlong into a wall in pursuit of the small, leather-bound cork of the small, leather-bound cork ball. At 39, he has much to smile

ional singles title bar one since

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While fives players feel they have to be fitter and faster than squash players, the game is not all about muscle. "Anyone can go out and hit the ball hard," Enstone said. "But it is the mental account and the strategy." mental aspect and the strategy I enjoy most.

"My doubles partner, John West, is not a big man and not as

coached me in that." West and Ensione won the national doubles title six years running.

Fives is a relatively cheap game to play; all you need is a pair of gloves, a ball and a court. Most schools do not charge for the use of the courts and are delighted to see them being used at all. With women coming into the sport more and more, and Enstone seeing lots of young fives has a great deal of

But one word of warning. If you want to play rugby fives at Rugby School, you will not be able to — they have just knocked down the courts.

Peril in red blood cell pumping

IN A book just published in the United States, Dr Robert Voy, the former chief medical officer for the US Olympic Committee (USOC), makes an alarming prediction. "I am sure it won't be long before a high-profile American athlete kills himself using erythropoietin," Voy writes.

His concern at the threat to life of a performance enhancing true which is thought to be in widespread use among endurance athletes — but which, unlike anabolic steroids, is virtually undetectable - is so broadly shared by the American medical profession that the manufacturers called a sympo-sium in New York.

hematocrit - or percentage red cell volume in blood - among petients suffering from ansemia due to kidney failure. Its advandue to kidney failure. Its advantage to endurance athletes is clear. As one speaker, Dr John Adamson, president of the New York Blood Center, put it: "The more red cells you have, the longer you can run fast."

An increase in red blood cell mass enhances the oxygen carry-mass enhances enhances the oxygen carry-mass enhances enh

VOLLEYBALL

Cooper's

cup call

expected

By RODDY MACKENZIE

mass enhances the oxygen carry-ing caracity of an athlete, raising energy levels. Blood "doping" by transfusion is a known by transfusion is a known problem to the sport—the Finn, Kaarlo Maaninka, admitted that the practice had helped him win Olympic medals at 5,000 and 10,000 metres in 1980—and blood doping by drug-

DAVID POWELL reports on a non-detectable drug endur-ance athletes are resorting to but which is a threat to life

taking is making it worse, according to a panel of speakers, including Dr Peter Spell, winner including Dr Peter Snell, winner of three Olympic middle distance sold medals in the 1960s. EPO has two obvious attractions to the user. Unlike blood doping by transfusion, it does not require trained medical assistance; nor does it carry the risk of infection.

"Used appropriately it can be remarkably effective, but used inappropriately it can be highly beautiful person whose firmatical it is within the 37 to 49 per cent normal range, the bemano-

cent normal range, the hemato-crit can become dangerously crit can become cangerousy high. Beginning with hematocrits in the 50 to 55 per cent range, blood viscosity [thickness] rises sharply, increasing the chance of clotting, strokes and heart attacks."

Drugs, Sport and Politics. "I

"Perhaps 15 have died in the past three years," Eichner said. He elaborated on the danger to athletes, "A marathoner who abuses EPO and starts a hot-weather race with a hematocrit of 60 per cent is setting the stage for disaster. Late in the race, because of dehydration the

hematocrit may rise to 65 or even 70 per cent. At that point the athlete greatly increases the risk of developing blood clots.' Snell, now a professor of internal medicine at the University of Texas Medical Center, said: "So far as blood doping is concerned, there is a test that can detect the practice of transfusions with 85 per cent certainty. However, neither the IOC International Olympic on the Tally Tally Tally The feasible test for EPO use. Thus the quest for the chemical edge

goes on. Clearly we have come a long way from the Olympic ideal." The difficulty in testing for EPO, which is banned both by the IOC and the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF), is that the synthetic version is similar to the one which the body produces naturaily. "EPO is a new way of blood dooring and you can't detect it," Dr Eichner said. "I

am not so much concerned with getting the athlete to the finish-line first, but with getting him

there alive."
Dr Adamson said: "Attaching a marker that could be detected.

in a blood test is not a viable alternative. Modifying the EPO molecule or adding a detectable substance to the solution in which EPO is formulated could lead to medical complications for kinney patients.**

However, according to Dr Arne Liungquas, the IAAF medical commission chairman, a research group which believes it may have identified a method of detecting EPO has applied to the International Athletic Foundation for a grant to fur-ther its work. Dr Ljungqvist said a decision was likely next

Tests by Professor Bjorn Ekbiom, of the Stockholm School of Gymnastics and Sport have indicated the land to Dr Eichner, there are marked as the stockholm as marked as a secondary as the stockholm as the same as the stockholm as the same as the stockholm as the same as t may gain as much as 1.5 seconds per minute of racing time. John Treacy, Ireland's 1984 Olympic marathon silver medal winner who is resident in the US, said

going on". Daniel Vapnek, senior vicepresident of Amgen, who manufacture the drug, said that it was

available only by prescription. It Britain in the last six months.

"To get EPO would require a physician to be involved,"

Vapnek said. "It is extremely expensive — about \$4,000 to \$6,000 in the US [for a year's treatment] and 50 per cent more in Europe "

OVERSEAS CRICKET

McDermott lifts Test hopes

QUEENSLAND extended their impressive sequence of Sheffield Shield results in Brisbane when they best Victoria by nine wickets inside three days over the weekend. The state has failed to either win outright or take first-innings points at the Woolloongabba only once in the took ten wickets in the match. It is under way. In MacLeay (72), who will play for take first-innings points at the Woolloongabba only once in the took ten wickets in the match.

AUDREY Cooper, the Wool-wich Brixton Knights seuer, is expected to make her first international appearance for England in the Pullman Cup in Luxembourg in January after switching allegiance from Scotland, the country of her birth. last four years.

Craig McDermott, who has considered leaving Queensland in an effort to enhance his m an enorth to emante ma prospects of a recall to Austra-lia's Test side, returned match figures of nine for 90 as Victoria were bowled out for 141 and Cooper has already trained with the England squad, and Paul Westhead, the coach to the England senior women's team, said be would like her to play in Luxembourg, where England will meet Austria, Finland and

Israel, along with the host nation.
"I intend to pick my squad after the training camp the first week in December. We've lost Rehana Begum [of Hilton Leeds], who has withdrawn from the squad because of college work, and we would hope to use Audrey in Luxemburg " he said

bourg" he said.
The Scottish Volleyball Association (SVA) has still not heard from the international federa-tion (FIVB) about Cooper's status, and Nick Moody, the technical director of the SVA, expressed surprise that Cooper's international debut for England was perhaps imminent. He con-firmed that the SVA had given permission for Cooper to train

permission for Cooper to train with England, but it is believed the association is investigating the possibility of seeking a transfer fee for her.

Cooper, aged 25, easily fulfils the two-year residential qualification to play for England, having left Scotland to work in London eight years ago. She had London eight years ago. She had spells at Hillingdon and Asb-combe before joining Brixton in 1988, and has twice been voted player of the year in England, in

1985 and last year.

She is following in the foot-steps of one of her Brixton team colleagues, Lyn Tennant, who has represented both Scotland and England after moving south

and England after moving south
of the border.
Cooper has not played for
Scotland since 1987, and wrote
to the SVA earlier this year to
request permission to play for
England.
"I still think there's a couple
of years left in me at this sort of
level," she said.

for Tasmania. Transvaal lost their unbeaten record when they lost to Natal by 67 runs in the second leg of their Nissan Shield quarter-final

their Nissan Shield quarter-final in Johannesburg on Saturday. Transvaal, who had won the first bowled out for 141 and 176. Hick was again dismissed cheaply for Queensland, falling to Hughes for five, while Lehmann struck 81 in his first Shield match for Victoria.

Western Australia almost opened their Shield campaign in embarrassment. Left a target of only 87 to beat Tasmania in Clive Rice, the Transvaal large crowd.

Clive Rice, the Transvaal

in eight overs to ensure a firstleg win in the second round over
Boland in Cape Town.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

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(Lansdowne Road, Dublin, 1.30) —
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Gamorgan Wanderers; Llanddi v Abersvor; Pomypool v Patrons Select XV.
MITER-SERVICES MATCH: Infantry v
Royal Marines (at Warminster 2.0).
REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Royal Nevy
Under-21 v Cornwall Under-21 (at
Devemport Services 7.0).

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BOUNG: Commonwealth and British lightweight sites: Carl Crook v Tony Richards (City Hall, Sheffletd).
HOCKEY: Representative marticle: Carphridge University v Hockey Association XI (Coldhams Common, 2.0).
SHOOKER: Rottmans Challenge: Steve Davis v Stephan Hendry (Albert Hall).
TENNIS: Texaco Women's Challenge (Swindon).

SPORT ON TV

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European championship: Coverage of the Republic of Ireland v England. Europeat 22.00-23.00.

HANDBALL: Europeat 13.30-14.30: Highlights of the Immentional Cup. ICE HOCKEY: Screensport 10.00-12.00 and 22.00-midnight: NfL.

JET SKENG: Europeat 23.30-00.30: The world indoor championships.

ng from serious knee problems.

Pienaar, the only batsman to pass 1,000 first-class runs in South Africa last winter, has yet

to find any sort of form.

Eric Simons, a medium-pace bowler, continues to be in destructive mood for Western Province. In the first round of the Nissan Shield he produced the astonishing return of six for eight in only 3.2 overs against an Eastern Province country side. He followed up with twe sor 20 in eight overs to ensure a first.

to find any sort of form.

ROWER POINT PRICAL IVE 2140-22.50: Footbalt European championstop: Highlights of the Republic of treamd v England: Booting: Preview of Nigel Benn v Chris Eubank.

Chris Eubank.

INOTORCYCLING: Screensport 15.3018.00: Superbiken.

MOTOR SPORT: Screensport 07.0010.00 and 13.30-14.30: IMSA GTP from
San Diego, motor sport from The
Netherlands, and dragster racing from
Kensas. Eurosport 10.00-11.00: British
touring car championship.

MULTI-SPORTS: Eurosport 12.30-12.30:
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POWERSOAT RACING: Screensport
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TELEGRIP BOWN, MAX. Screening and 14.30-15.30 and 17.00-18.00.

TRANS WORLD SPORT: Europeat 19.00-20.00.
YACHTING: Screensport 16.00-17.00: The Soft World Cup from North America. Europeat 18.00-18.30: The Kenwood Cup.

BOXING

Laing has a score to settle

KIRKLAND Laing, who has his first world title challenge in the new year, risks his hig chance by defending his European welter-weight crown against Patrizio Oliva, of Italy, in Campione louisht.

Laing will be receiving a record purse of £40,060, but he has another reason for taking the bout to put right an injustice he perceived when he challenged Nino La Rocca 18 months ago in Italy.

He balance he was cheated and wrestled our of the second take.

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The system beat and referee was against me and the crowd was against me. I was robbed and it did me in The unpredictable Lains, at 36 Britain's oldest champion, insists there will be no mistake

this time.
"Oliva is clerer, but not as clever as me," Laing said. "He has never meranyone like me. I

clever as me, "Lang san. He has never merinayone like me. I don't know whether I'll knock him out or stop him but it won't go past nine rounds."

Oliva lias an impressive record. He won an Olympic gold medal in Moscow and then the World Boxing Association lightwelterweight title. His only defeat in 52 contests came in 1987 when he lost the title to Juan Martin Coggi, of Argentina.

But Laing's manager, Mickey Duff, said his man was in the best shape since he fought Roberto Duran. That was eight years ago. Laing failed to cash in on that victory by disappearing for 12 months. Laing said there would be no more disappearing acts. "I'm here to stay" he said.

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Watson off to Detroit to rebuild

By SRIKUMAR SEN BOXING CORRESPONDENT

MICHAEL Watson is to follow in the footsteps of Dennis Andries. The Commonwealth Andrea. The Commonwealth champion from Islington is to train at the Kronk gym to rebuild his career after his defeat in a world title bout against Mike McCallum, of Jamaica, six months ago.

Watson said yesterday he had

been invited to the Kronk by Emmstage! Steward, the director of the famous gym. He will leave for Detroit after his first bout in seven months against Errol Christie on Sunday at the National Exhibition Centre, Birm-

Watson, who has split with his manager, Mickey Duff, because he claims his progress has been slower than that of Nigel Benn, the man he knocked and in air counts when to have out in six rounds, plans to have two more contests before challenging for a world title again in the new year.

Watson's agent, Ross Hemsworth, said that he has had talks with Bob Arum, the had talks with Bob Arum, the American promoter, about meeting one of the four world champions in February. But first Watson defends his Commonwealth title against Craig Trotter, of Australia, in-December and then meets the Liverpool-born Nigerian, Michael Olajide, in Liverpool in January.

January.

Watson said: "I am bitter that things did not move on quicker for me after I beat Bean. I aim to

put on a good performance on Sunday to show that I am not linished."

Desending his decision to come back against a man now well past his best and not not steady under pressure. Watson said: The Christie fight is a chance to knock the ring rust out of me and get the ball going again. I am not taking him lightly. I believe he is training hard for this and it's a great opportunity for him."



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Orchid, particularly that mag-nificent duel for the 1988 this month. Whithread Gold Cup in which Richard Burridge's grey fought back so gallantly to

regain the initiative.

Trained for most of his Hennessy hopeful can carry on the good work over this extended trip.

The Ron Hodges-trained Setter Country, after his respectively the plant of the pla

The ten-year-old has always been an enigmatic character, whose jumping has frequently let him down at vital mo-ments. But after an intensive course of schooling this summer with Harvey Smith and Robert Stronge, Kildimo re-turned to the fray with an encouraging display, chasing home the former champion hurdler Celtic Shot in the Charlie Hall Chase at

Wetherby earlier this month.
Kildimo will be on parade
again today, conceding humps
of weights away to three rivals in the Boxing Day Trial Chase at Kempton Park, and it looks at Kempton Para, a difficult assignment.

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1.00 Setter Country. 1.30 The Fax Man. 2.00 Height Of Fun.

Going: good to firm

FEW will forget Kildimo's facile victory against market the five-year-old Tug Of Gold, stirring battles with Desert rival Major Match over 2½ who showed considerable this month. Kim Bailey switched Biloxi

Blues from the earlier conditional jockeys' chase to run

The Ron Hodges-trained Setter Country, after his respectable third behind Sabin Du Loir and Desert Orchid at Devon, would appear to be on a favourable mark for the opening Staines Conditional Jockeys Handicap Chase.

Martin Pipe may have the answer to the Fairview New Homes Hurdle with Tri Folene, and in an intriguing contest for the BMW Series Chase, Height Of Fun, from Oliver Sherwood's yard, is just preferred to Moun Several promising young

stayers turn out for the Worcester Novices Chase. Killbanon can be fancied to turn the tables on Whats The Crack now that he is 8lb better Preference is for Biloxi on for that tength occurs and distance last the course and distance last month. But my vote goes to

2.30 Tri Folene. 3.00 Biloxi Blues. 3.30 Cornwall Prince.

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JOCKEYS

2.45 Tug Of Gold.

3.15 Betty's Pearl.
3.45 SALAMANDER JOE (nap).

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103 12/416F- OUR NOBEY 223 (D.F.G.S) (R Sastist) M Margariol 8-11-4.
104 21:056-3 SETTER COUNTRY 8 (F.G) (D Barber) R Hodges 6-10-1.
105 850431- Manual 229 (F) (Mrs. J Crocket) D Elsworth 7-10-0.
106 333-11P ROSCOFT 13 (D.F) (N KNOST) P Hobbs 8-10-0.

1.30 MOTORWAY NOVICES HURDLE (£2,388: 2m) (10 runners)

Selections

By Mandarin

Michael Seely's selection: 3.00 Kildimo. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.30 TRI FOLENE.

1.0 STAINES CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP CHASE (£2,901: 2m 4f) (4 runners)

Long headlesp: Minim 9-12, Roscott 9-8. BETTING: 9-4 Setter Country, 3-1 Minim, 4-1 Our Nobby, 9-2 Roscott, 7-1 Celtic Flame, 12-1 St Gabrie

1966: MISTER FEATHERS 8-10-3 T Berry (7-4 fev) J King 7 ran

FORM FOCUS CELTIC FLAME 27/41 soft, Outs with Moony driven out to beat Miseing Men 2 perutimete start in a handicap at Newbury (2m 4t, heavy).

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EETTRIC: 5-2 Sepvice, 3-1 The Fix Man, 4-1 The Jogger, 6-1 Meter Half-Chance, 8-1 Wessett Wantor, 10-1 Blakes Secret, 16-1 others.

1989: OKSETSE 6-11-0 B de Haan (7-2 ji-fav) C Brooks 14 ran

FORM FOCUS BALLYNCK all out to best True Magic Ni in a Nestonel Hunt that race at Huntingson (2m 100)d, good to firm). THE JOGGER 2% less of 5 to Ascot Lad on a Nestonel Hunt that race at Townstein (2m, good to firm) on perulatings start.

ABSTER HAAL-CHANCE showed some ability on the stater at Huntings to be sound. WESSEX WARNION one-good 7% 37d to Gymcrak Dewn in a National Hunting at Bangor (1m 4, good), with BLAKES SECRET (7b worse off) SI Str.

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Course specialists

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Selections

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By Michael Seely

1.45 AMARI KING (nap). 3.15 Betty's Pearl.

1.15 Smiths Venture.

1.45 Amari King.

potential against the talented Pat's Jester at Stratford two

The in-form combination of David Nicholson and Richard Dunwoody are also presented in the Rayburn Royal Novices Hurdie by Salamander Joe, who showed plenty of battling qualities to win at that same Stratford meeting.

Headed on the run-in by Revaro that day, Salamader Joe railied strong to take the spoils by a head and, with an extra half-mile to race over this time, I nap this five-yearold to get the better of Josh Gifford's Devon winner Lake Tecreen and Ferrystream. The Nicholson team also

holds a strong hand in the Glynwed Absent Friends Handicap with Springholm. But 1 doubt whether he can successfully concede 26lb to Tim Forster's Ameri King, who before spoiling his copy-book with a fall at Sandown had beaten the subsequent Mackeson winner Multum In Parvo by eight lengths in a Folkestone novice handicap

over Authorship

He was found to be in breach of the rule governing non-triers and, in particular, his handling of the four-year-old, trained at Newmarket by Willie Musson.

£500 by the Jockey Club's betting from 6-4 on to 6-5, white disciplinary committee over his Presidio had attracted some riding of Authorship in a race on heavy late support. Authorship in a race in heavy late support. Authorship easily won a handicap hurdle at January.

Southwell, backed from 5-4 to 5-

4 on, on his next outing. Smith commented: "I do not agree with the outcome. I should not have been here in the first

place."
Musson said: "I find it best to

Newmarket by Willie Musson.
Authorship was a strongfinishing third behind Presidio
in the Tennyson Claiming Hurdle on January 8 this year.
Musson was cleared of two
allegations of not running a
horse on its merits and the rule
governing schooling in public.
Smith was unhappy with the
outcome of yesterday's 4%-hour
hearing at Portman Square, the
culmination of a lengthy and
thorough investigation by the
place."
Musson said: "I find it best to
make no comment in these
situations. I didn't say anything
last time I was here. I did think
Craig Smith's fine was fairly
harsh."
The trainer was referring to
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Kribensis eyes Newcastle

THE champion hurdler Kribensis is on course for his first winner in France since his return in the Fighting Fifth Hurdle at Newcastle next month after a satisfactory schooling session at Newmarket yesterday.

Anderman, finished seventh in the Prix de Perlinguet behind Elie Lellouche's Sonship.

The six-year-old, ridden by his regular partner Richard Dunwoody, was accompanied in the exercise by one of Michael Stoute's backs.

Kribensis, winner of ten of his 11 races over hurdles, is 3-1 favourite with Ladbrokes to retain his crown next March.

Lester Piggott continues to be



Contractions feared in industry's solution to pressing problems

2.0 BMW SERIES CHASE (Qualifier: £3,613: 3m) (7 runners)

FORM FOCUS DOUBLE TRICKS
won handkaps last 5rd to Shaekapanny at Folkestone (M-1) o Shaekapanny at Folkestone (Sm 24, soft) in session at Limerick (Sm) and at Ballistrobe (Sm 11, soft) in 24 soft) beating Papps a read. MEIGHT OF FURI quick- and on the flat to beat Hairperny Bridge 1141 in a Mohernmotion notices chains (Sm 11, fmm).

MOUNTEROR ridden out to beat Pithy Si in a hand- dee subsequently, when 301 4th to Richard's Hill on the Cop chains at chierchord (Sm 11, good to soft). Jim.

Selection: MOUNTEROR. 2.30 FAIRVIEW NEW HOMES HURDLE (4-Y-O: £3,397; 2m 4f) (4 tunners)

FORM FOCUS BOLD CHOICE 4: 2nd to hops Guest at Association of the province of

3.0 BOXING DAY TRIAL CHASE LIMITED HANDICAP (28,815: 3m) (4 runners)

3.30 JUNIOR NOVICES HURDLE (8-Y-O: £2,374; 2m) (10 runners)

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BETTING: 5-2 Kilbanon, 4-1 Tug Of Gold, 5-1 Step Dinner, 8-1 Wheta The Crack, 8-1 Chancery Buck, 10-1 Coruscase, Winabuck, 14-1 Cot Lane.

1988: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

BETTRICE 11-4 The Humble Tiber, 5-1 Belty's Peart, 6-1 Pithy, 8-1 Farm Week, Stream Bridge, 10-1 Mile-Hartigen, 12-1 Derry Gowan, Sneakapenny, 14-1 others. 1969: TARVELE 11-9-13 W Humphreys (9-1) J Parfitt 13 ran

32-1 LAIKE TEERDEN 19 (F) (Mrs A Grantham) J Gifford 5-11-7 T Generations
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90-31 SALAMANDER JOE 13 (G) (G Mordsum) D Nicholson 5-11-7 R Demonstrate
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9- CASTLE ORCHARD 320 (G Shoeton) P Hayward 6-11-0 G Stadley
9- CODONISTON VILLAGE 179 (Southchase Ltd) S Sherwood 5-11-0 M Nichards
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1989: BEAU PARI 5-11-0 R Rows (11-4) M Pipe 24 ran Course specialists

Per cent 42.9 41.2 40.0 38.9 27.9 28.3

3.45 RAYBURN ROYAL NOVICES HURDLE (Div II: £1,912: 2m 4f) (25 runners)

2.45 AGA WORCESTER NOVICES CHASE (Grade II: £9,418: 3m) (8 runners)

3.15 RAYBURN SUPREME HANDICAP CHASE (£3,037: 3m) (15 runners)

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Selection: CONNWALL PRINCE

the racing industry, faced with a yawning gap between income and expenditure, will be forced to contract, with possibly fewer races, horses, trainers or courses. Having mentioned the need to cut costs. Haines said that the Levy Board was looking to see if it could continue supporting racing's broad and huge superstructure.
The only immediate glimmer of hope to emerge was the disclosure that the government has, for the first time, acknowl-Guide to our in-line racecard

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JOCKEYS Witness

has, for the first time, acknowledged that racing does face significant problems. The Jockey Club is currently preparing to make a case to the Treasury in January and, together with the bookmakers, will be highlighting the damaging impact of the eight per cent betting duty which nets the government around £400 million a year. ion a year. During a press conference, beld a year after Haines took up his new post, the two men in charge of racing's future:

Stressed that racing must solve the industry's difficulties by itself

 Ruled out a wide-ranging industry enquiry, conducted internally or externally, and opted instead for self-financed, spe-cific surveys carried out by racing's separate component

RACING is facing grave difficulties and there is no magic and betting system for not wand or secret formula to resolve them, Lord Hartington, senior steward of the Jockey

Club said vesteday.

Club said vesteday. return for its product.

Argued in favour of an expanded Tote yielding significantly more to racing's finances in the future.

Announced new training intitiatives, including a scheme

In the bluntest assessment of the state of the sport to eminate from racing's headquarters for years, Hartington and Chris-topher Haines, the Jockey Club chief executive, dropped very to attract graduates to racing.

Onsisted a Jockey Club-Horseracing Advisory Council estimate that £84 million was broad hints that tough and unpalatable measures will alrequired this year for racing's needs was responsible and well adopted to interove the inworked out.

dustry's fortunes - particularly With racing now facing a potential levy shortfall of £4.88 its finances.

Although both managed to million, accumulated over the past three years, Haines said: "Clearly, racing's current finan-cial resources do not meet avoid using the word crisis, Harrington's realistic message and tone could hardly have been and tone could hardly have been in starker contrast to that of leader who only two years ago said: "Racing is in an exceptionally healthy state."

"Hard decisions are happening here and now. That will evolve over the weeks ahead," Haines said.

The clear involvening is that and this is at a time when the economy, is beyond debate, in

"An urgent review is already in hand on the allocation of our existing resources. All un-necessary costs must be squeezed out and the money directed to the areas which show The clear implication is that

"We recognise the problems that we face and we must solve them ourselves. We cannot realistically expect others to do it for us."
Hartington, an enlighted
Jockey Club leader, added: "I
don't think there is a magic

wand. I don't think there ever has been. Racing has many considerable problems — finance, security, where British racing is in terms of European and world racing. I don't think there is an easy answer to anyone of them. I do not expect to be able to come to you and say: 'we have got an answer. Everything is going to be all right now.'

He added: "I agree racing is in bed and any Very don't have to

a bad way. You don't have to spend very long at Newmarket to realise what a bad state that town is in from the point of view of yards being for sale. Lambourn is the same and I expect Middleham and Malton

cocoon-like existence because we very much don't. Owners are finding it difficult to spend

disposable income on training fees and who can blame them it is an expensive business - and that will affect trainers and

As Christopher said, in times of adversity it is sometimes the easiest time to make hard

Hartington, who has been under considerably pressure to announce a wide-ranging enexplained why he was against such a course of action. "Racing has been under the microscope several times before, most noticeably the 1978 Royal Commission on Gambling, which produced an excellent and far reaching report.

excellent many of the recom-mendations were and have been mendations were and have been seen to be, these large studies do have an expensive habit of gathering dust on government shelves with little action to

"We recognise that the industry faces very real, serious difficulties; in many cases considerably more serious than 12 months ago. We recognise that there are areas where we need nore information to guide us in the correct course of

"But we feel strongly that this information should come from detailed, focused studies, specifically targeted by those and for those who will be able to do something about the results of such studies.

"It has been made abundantly clear to us in our increasingly frequent discussions with accept, that racing must belp

"It is up to the racing industry and those who carry out racing to come to terms with our most pressing problems and to create as best we can our own sol-utions. This is what we are in the process of doing."

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with ten years of national prosperity coming to an end, the downturn in the economy would affect racing considerably. "Don't let us persuade ourselves we live in a separate, National Association of Booksmann and Mallon are also."

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3.15 (6f) 1, RAMBO EXPRESS (L. Newton, 4-1 it-fav); 2, Derting Stock (G Carter, 4-1 it-fav); 3, Esit Odin (B Crossley, 16-1). ALSO RANA 4 it-fav Crott Valley (4th), 13-2 Crotk's Quality, 8 Yukosan (6th), 10 Hai-voya, 12 Annell Rose, 16 Thead Like Prince (5th), 20 Tits Spot, Advence To Go., 25 Cooker, 38 Mountainous, Tow-Star's Ledy, Ledy Printrose, Paristen Girl, 16 ran. 7, 11, 1, 3/sl., 3/sl. G Hutter at Newmarket. Tota: 5.20; 22.30, 21.50, 23.10. DF: 215.40. CSF: 521.47.

Results from yesterday's two meetings Shannon Express (A Bates, 20-1); 4, Alsaeric Pete (W Newnes, 2-1 fav), ALSO RAN: 5 Vardant Boy, 7 Decuty Ten (5th), 10 Golden Lott, 16 Sols Mile, Gother Ford (5th), Manse Key Gold, Mr Moccasin, 20 Gent Eleat, 25 Norquer, Franciscan, Beste Thoughts, Priestparis, 33 Allaente, 50 King is Crusade, 18 ran. Ns., N., 17-L, N., S., A Hide at Rewingerist, Totar 215, 20; 23, 10, 20, 20, 24,80, 21.50, DF: 2162.90, CSF; 2225.8, Tricast: 24,488,59.

21.60, 31.90. DF; 38.40. CSF; 26.54.

1.0 (2m 4f ch) 1, barkit RECORD (N O'Cornor, 8-1); 2, Revitian's Glory (Mrs A Farred, 12-1); 8, Sannain; (8 Powell, 13-2).

ALSO PARk 11-10 for Path House (8th), 7 Hay Rarviey (pu), 8 Roseon The Brave (4th), 14 Western Revivel (f), 33 (ch) Bart Son (pu), 50 Majestic Player (pu), 9 ran. NR: Red Ronco. 101, 2, 3, 81. Mrs S Bramel et Thirak. Tota: D.50; 32.00, 22.00, 31.70. DF; ESS.70. CSF; ESS.91.

1.30 (2m ch) 1. Instructurasurer (1 1.30 (2m cr) 1, UNEX-PLANCED (J. Callegtun, 11-10 tar); 2, Spiritud Holme (6 Potrell, 9-9; 3, Pertoreoris (P Hiver, 9-4), ALSO RAK: 33 Newmarket Sausage (4th), 4 ran. 5, 3, 5, 6 Moore at Middleham, Tois: 22.00, 0F: 22.40, CSF: 23.87.

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2.9 (3m 2! 160yd ch) 1, LINGHAM
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Williamson, 4-1); 3, The Multicht U
Categhen, 19-1). ALSO RAM: 10-11 fev
Snowline Chap (put, 5 Feeton (4th), 20
Bornio Artist (5th). 6 ran. 11, 20, 41, drd. J.
Swiers at Helparby, Tote: 27.70; 22.70,
21.20. DF: 28.10. CSP. 238.16.

21.20. OF: 29.10. CSP. 239.16.
2.50 (2m 4f hcis) 1, BONANZA (D Withinson, 5-1); 2, Inaggriy Boy (L Wyer, 7-2; 3, Benticade (D Byrns, 14-1), ALSO HAN: 4-6 fav Song Of Gymorak (f), 14 Feshion Soene (pu), Empiricals (Bh), 33 Prince Bishop (Sh), Little Saffiche (4th), 8 raz. 241, diet, 15, 8, 20, C Thornisch at Laddenarn, Tone: 29.60; 91.70, 21.60, C2.50. DF: 212.30. CSP: 223.33. Witner bought in for 8.400 pm.
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1. Looker, 20-1); 3. Mister (Mr. A. Farrant, 7-2).

ALSO RANC 4-1 Doller Spector (ur), 5.
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3.30 (2m hdis) 1, ELDER PRINCE (L. Wyer, Evens ter, Menderia's map); 2, Pulle Reader (C. Grant, 11-4; 3, Full Edeaby P. Niven, 19-1). ALSO RANK 4 Penhall (Sm), 14 Pokker (4th), 16 Logamino.

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12.15 (Im) 1, MCVVMD CUT (G Duffield,
4-6 fayl; 2, Westjern Ace (M Tebbutt, 9-1);
3, Gleentime (A Tucker, 9-1); ALSO RAN:
8 Bearing Fen (stay), Angel Feiling (Bish), 12
Lunar Magic, 14 Bijou Residence, 20
Fettle Up, 35 Anderson Rose (Sm), Lusy
Johnston's. 10 ran. 154, 44, 32, 2, 31, M
Prescott at Newmarkst. Tota: 52,00:
51.10, 24.20, 52.40. DP: 55.40. CSP:
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12.45 (1m 4) 1, COSMIO (K Fallon, 6-4 tav); 2, Macchask (Esuma O'Gorman, 16-1); 3, Hassiang Run (W Ryan, 33-1). ALSO RANK 17-4 Carvetand, 4 Grace O'Matey (5th), 9 Setin Lake (6th), 16 La Ballerine (4th), Birde Chance, 33 Noble Son, Sky Westcher, Mása Birsone, King O'I Shadowa, Sky Fighrer, 50 My Swan Son, Derry Prigram, Masthoore, Baucy Saint, 17 ran. 2th, 2th, 41, 1th, 1th, P Blockley at Caberlot. Total: 22.70; 27.40. CBC. 214.40. DF: 227.90. CBF: 228.47. NR: Lafagdo. TOUR 17-4 Convetents, 4 Grace O'Malley

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18-12, 251, 141, 151, 19 Bloodley at 18-11, 18

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1.45 (1m) 1, ALPRIA RASGAL (G Carrer, 3-1); 2, Richmond (S Whewarth, 5-4 tav); 3, Just John C Quinn, 8-1), ALBO RAN; 5 Brich Ross (4th), 17-2 Northern Galley, 9 Kind Style (5th), 17-2 Northern Galley, 9 Kind Style (5th), 15 Makir Choice (8th), 20 Lord Danum, 33 Mess Tino, 100 Tyrwhet Tryet, 16 ran, 1%1, 41, 12, nt, 1%, 1, Gouden at Newmartet, Toter 23-80; 21-40, 21-30, 22-20, DF; 25-40, CF; 27-70. 21.50, 22.20. DF; 25.40. CSF; 27.70.
2.15 (8t) 1, GONDO (G Cerner, 12-1); 2, Recentury Tipple (K Fallon, 9-2; 3. Orust Sergeent (N Day, 3-1 joury). ALSO FAN: 3 joury hosp Tender (Est), 4 (Session, 1.0) Beachy Glan, 20 Eiruchurd, Morpici (4th), 25 Feirfland Lad, Agnes Hult, 33 Sarah's Influence, 258'ro, 50 African Guest, Buson Boy (8th), Left Right, Bancroft, 18 ran, 21, 21, 134, 11, 11, M Fiyen at Newmartet, Total Eff.20; 23.90, 21.80, 21.70. DF; 230.40. CSF; 258.82. 2.45 (1m) 1, EVENING STAR (K Rutter, 10-1); 2, Tempering (D Nichole, 25-1); 3,

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Eagle-eyed umpires should see the light

and remain convinced that the public would prefer eight balls rather than six. The latter remains in use primarily because of the obstinate refusal of England to listen to Australia's arguments. Our proposal has never been given an extended and adequate trial in England. My plea for modern score-boards has been answered to the

extent that our modern electronic marvels give a surfeit of information, sometimes to the great embarrassment of a hapless umpire who has given a wrong judgment on a run out.

I now go further and support the use of the electronic eye to determine a run out decision, and probably stumpings. It would be perfectly simple to implement. From what I have read, a majority of umpires have spoken up against this viewpoint, but why they should do so remains a mystery to me.

It would not only bring justice (as it now does on the racetracks of the world), it would also lessen the umpire's responsibility. He must, of course, remain the exclusive arbiter on lbw decisions, but they are in a different category because they are a matter of opinion, not fact. Another matter of relative

unimportance that worries me is the question of light appeals. At one time, there was a condition that only the batting side could appeal against the light, and appeals were limited to one per session of play. In my view, this worked perfectly.

But, now, the umpires, for some inexplicable reason, are empowered to "offer the light". Whether they do it per medium of light meters or simply by observation, I think it is quite wrong for umpires to intervene in this way without appeal. I have never yet seen an occasion when the light was "offered" and the batsmen refused.

It would be far better to go back to the situation once extant that play should be suspended only "when the conditions are so bad that it is unreasonable or dangerous for it to continue". The rights of the spectators should not be overlooked but, sadly, I don't think they are given enough weight. As a player, I loved nothing better than to bat without a cap under dull, overcast conditions. Providing there is an adequate sightboard, I found an even dull light much kinder than bright

Yorkshireman who was in

Frequent stoppages for bad light and fewer overs being bowled in a day's play are part of modern Test cricket. In the second of three articles, Sir Donald Bradman makes a plea for the game to give greater consideration to

its viewing public in the area of light meters

and fast bowling

Australia watching a match when the players came off because of the light. He turned to his neighbour and enquired why the players were coming off. On being told it was because the light was not good enough, he retorted: "My friend, if we couldn't play in this light in Sheffield, we would never start a

match let alone finish it."

A nother of the problems confronting modern legislators is the question of bouncers. Before 1932, they were not a serious problem. Their use conjunction with a packed legside field, led to the introduction of a rule virtually banning "bodyline" by restricting the on-side fielders to a maximum of two behind square leg.

giving the umpire power to intervene if he thought the bowler was trying to intimidate the striker, the ultimate penalty being that the bowler had to be taken off and not allowed to bowl again in the same innings. That law just simply has not worked

I think the reasons are: (a) that umpires are reluctant to exercise a moral judgment as to the intent of the bowler, and (b) the severity of the penalty. In regard to (b), can we really expect a local umpire in an emotional and volatile aituation at a critical stage of a Test match to ban the local hero for the rest of the

There is no simple answer to the problem. But I would point out that, in one-day cricket, the

head-high is negated by the call of no-ball. Umpires don't hesitate to invoke the penalty and so it works. The judgment becomes one of fact — not a moral issue. The sanction does not prevent the bowler continuing but does prevent him profiting from his tactics. As he cannot get a betsman out from such a delivery, as the striker can score runs with impunity and as the ball does not count in the over, the

bowler quickly sees the light.

There are many people who believe the bowling of bouncers (within reason) in Test cricket should not be banned because they are a legitimate weapon in the hands of a fast bowler, they test the courage of batsmen, and they often result in strokes of great skill and excitement. I understand such a view. Indeed, as a batsman (bodyline ex-cluded), I welcomed this type of

. But as things stand, some bowlers exploit the weakness in the law to the very limit of tolerance, and I think both players and public would prefer to see helmets being worn as a precaution rather than a necessity. I was particularly pleased that Terry Alderman met with such success on his last English

bouncer but relied on swing, cut and accuracy to achieve results. His performance was an object

There are occasionally circumstances of light and weather when I think umpires are too severe in their judgment as to whether play shall continue or even take place at all.

ay I remind readers of a piece of history. Cricket was originally played under conditions where the pitch and ground, as a whole, were at the mercy of the weather. That was the case when Australia toured England in 1902. In the fourth Test at Manchester, Australia won the toss and batted on a pitch that had been exposed to the elements, as had been the bowler's footbolds. The latter were so wet and slippery that England's fast bowler, Lockwood, could not be used until the score was 129 and England had to open the bowling with two slow bowlers.

The legendary Victor Trumper made his famous century before lunch and Australia's total at the adjournment was 173 Test between Australia and England at Brisbane in 1936. Playing conditions then provided for the pitch to be uncovered but the

Australia had to bat on a "sticky" and were all out for 58 in less than 13 overs, with fast bowlers Allen (5 for 36) and Voce (4 for 16), from dry, firm footholds, hurling their thunderbolts into a wet pitch. The best slow left-hand spinner in the world at that time, Hedley Verity, who had taken 14 wickets in one day at Lord's against Australia in 1934, was not given even one over.

Without, at this stage, engag-ing in an argument about covered or uncovered pitches, my purpose in emphasising this contrast is that umpires should not suspend play because playing conditions are difficult or inconvenient, but only if they are well nigh unplayable. The interests of the viewing public should be taken into account.

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TOMORROW

The continuing fight to see cricket under the right rules and conditions

Injuries, illnesses and idiosyncrasies are all under the microscope as Test match time approaches in Pakistan and Australia

West Indies face a severe test under new management

From John Woodcock in Karachi

Test careers.

remarkable individual

the Test match series between Pakistan and West Indies. beginning here tomorrow, promises great things. It comprises three matches spread over a month and finds the that is - the threat they are home side, unusually, in little disorder. Having already whitewashed New Zealand elsewhere. Once the seam is flattened, there is little lateral this winter, both in Tests and movement off the pitch. one-day internationals, Paki-stan followed up last week In three Tests against Pakistan, Dennis Lillee's figures, with a clean sweep in a oneday series against West Indies.

Victory now, in the forthcoming Tests, would mean Jeff Thomson's were 79-12-every bit as much to them as 295-3. Richard. Hadlee and to all those other sides who Ray Lindwall both paid twice have found West Indies so difficult to best for so long. In theory, they have a splendid chance of pulling it off. Without Vivian Richards,

who has taken the tour off in the hope of curing the baemorrhoids which so trouble him, the West Indians are achievements in all Test under new management. Tak-ing over from Richards as ets in only 29 matches in captain is going to be no easier Pakistan at 19.30 each. It for Lance Gibbs, who succeeds Clive Lloyd as manager. so much as for his batting and

The West Indians are also main domestic competition. gathered in Barbados for a week's practice, it kept raining. If Haynes, Greenidge and Richardson are still among the best players in the captaincy with Miandad, who men, Logie, Hooper and Best themselves. As they have done since Lloyd decided, in his early years as captain, that the matches, as well as not to lose that one of the three pitches them, was by the use of will be tailored to suit the unrelenting speed, the West spinners in the knowledge that Indians will be looking to their Pakistan would be far better right sort of pitch.

FOR any number of reasons, fast bowlers to carry the day, equipped to take advantage of Here, they are at full strength. Against that, the ball seldom bounces steeply enough in Pakistan to make the sixand-a-half-footers - the Ambroses and the Walshes,

Akram, or even Imran, who is the talk of the game at present.

when he was still the most complete fast bowler in the world, were 102-19-303-3, and as much for their wickets here - 44 and 46 respectively - as Martin Crowe among them, they did during their overall However much the umpires may have been in awe of Imran Khan, one of the most

runs apiece. However, to be hailed as a for Desmond Haynes than it is really is a staggering statistic. pressures — to bowlers as well for Lance Gibbs, who sucleadership that his presence is short of recent cricket. Their likely to be most significant in year, he took only four wickets this coming series. He will be at 56 runs each. He followed the Red Stripe Cup, has not 38 in a fortnight's time and is this in England last season yet started and when, before no longer the bowler he was. with 57 wickets for Surrey, But he has set his heart on beating West Indies, and this will be his last chance.

There has been the usual boxing and coxing over the was in charge against New way to Imran. Anything else would have seemed much too guileless. Abdul Qadir is, for anced side. Collectively, they early years as captain, that the him, strangely compliant at are at least as gifted. Both are most effective way to win Test the moment, hoping perhaps mercurial. The weather is

it. At Multan yesterday, in the were hopelessly at sea against Mushtaq Mohammed. But it is not Qadir or Wasim

It is Wagar Younis.

I doubt whether a fast bowler has ever made quite such an impact in so short a time as Wagar. Seasoned empires no less than battlescarred betsmen have been arrested by his speed, fullness of length and lancness of swing. The New Zealanders,

rated him as good a bowler as they had ever faced - and Hadlee, don't forget, is a New Zealander. In three Tests and three one-day internationals against them, Wagar took 40 wickets in 164.5 overs at 9.2

as batsmen - and Wagar is said to be not yet 18. In three which left him in fifth place in the national bowling averages. To be able to compare him with the leading West Indians

Akram - if he is passed fit may have the edge is in their Pakistan are the better baimercurial. The weather is perfect, and it is high time a Test match in Pakistan drew a crowd. All we need now is the



Pakistan sweep the board

From QAMAR ARMED

PAKISTAN confirmed their supremacy in the one-day series against West Indies as they won once again to make a clean sweep of the three-match series. Pakistan, who won the toss and batted, scored 168 for nine, acting a target of just over four runs an over. But the West Indies batting once again let them down, as they were restricted to 137 for seven and beaten by 31 runs.

beaten by 31 runs.

Mushing, the leg spinner, picked up three wickets for 31 and started the rout, after Desmond Haynes and Richie Wicheslam were sent back to Richardson were sent back to the pavilion by Alcram Raza, the off spinner, and imran Khan. Mushtaq, tempting and tuntalising, bowled both Cartisle Best and Gus Logie to make West Indies 79 for four in the 26th over. Their last hope

disappeared when Wagar Yours bowled Gordon Pakistan had started poorly, losing Shoaib and Zahid Fazal within two overs to Bishop and Moseley. A third-wicket stand of 51 between Salim Malik and Saced Anwar, however, and an unbesten knock of 46 in 59 balls by Imran Khan laid the foundation for Pakistan's success.

Total St wide, 40 overs) Wester Vourse did not but.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-2, 2-3, 3-54, 4-65, 5-98, 6-167, 7-161, 6-161, 6-166.
BOWLING: Blanco 8-0-25-2; Mountay 8-0-45-1; Water 8-0-29-2, Hooper 8-0-20-1; Heynes 8-0-29-1.

Heynes 8-0-29-1.

WEST WIDNES
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A L Logie b Mushtaq
C L Hooper not out
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Total (7 wids, 40 overs) 137 IR Blehop and C A Wasen did not but. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-35, 2-44, 3-67, 4-78, 5-107, 5-107, 7-110.

Australia spoilt for choice as England struggle

ENGLAND may be struggling the Australian scheme. His three form and fitness for next week's is evidence enough that he can inst Test match in Brisbane, but Australia's dilemma is rather different. They are spoilt for choice.

Much the most revealing the Australia scheme. His three wastering to a second all-rounder. If Matthews plays in Brisbane, there will be room for only one additional race bowler in

chilerent. They are spout for choice.

Much the most revealing aspect of the Australian XI chosen by the national selectors for the four-day game against the touring side, which starts here on Friday, is that it represents virtually a Test reserve tram and wet contains an serve team and yet combins an enviable number of players for whom England would give a

whom England would give a great deal.

The queue for batting places in the Australian middle order is long on quantity and quality. Fast bowlers are plentiful for choice and variety, it is only in the spin bowling department that Australia are on strict rations, and that merely reflects a worldwide shorting which has afflicted England for years.

Indicate year and leap land fast year and leap land fast year witches with his leg breaks, was thought likely to leg breaks, was thought likely to resume his international career next week in his native Bris-bane. Now, he has announced himself mavailable.

If the Australians insist on a

youngster such as Adrian, Tucker, from Sydney, or Peter McIntyre, of Victoria, who has the head start of playing in the

"trial" on Priday.

More tikely, at least for Brisbane, is that the one slow bowling place will go to Greg Matthews, another who has been chosen for this showcase game which the Australian management is co-ordinating on full Test match lines.

full Test match times.

Matthews's career has performed contortions since he attained folk-hero status when England were last here four years ago. A decline into obscurity preceded a period of self-appraisal, retraining and a steady climb back to promisence.

groomed as if for an encless disco and manic in his idiosyncracies. And yet, if his off

one additional pace bowler in support of the automatic new-ball pairing of Terry Alderman and Merv Highes. His identity will doubtless detain the Austra-lian selectors longer than any other issue.

than selectors tonger than any other issue.

There are, conservatively, six serious contenders — Geoff Lawson, Craig McDermott, Greg Campbell, Carl Rackemann, Chris Matthews and Bruce Reid. If Ladbrokes were to make a hook on the contest. to make a book on the contest, McDermott's form in the past fortmight would probably entitle him to be favourite.

McDermott seems to have been on the scene for years but is, in fact, only 25 years old and the workers of the candidates. He took 34 without 5 which a seem of the candidates, he took 34 without 5 which a seem of the candidates. He took 34 without 5 which a seem of the weekend destroyed Victoria.

Rackemann, five wears older and with a complicated history of injuries, still commands the faith of men who matter, while wrist spinner, which would not be entirely perverse given the aversion of English batteren, they must now gamble with an other field in perhaps the best of them all and a left-

armer as useful variety, but the word is that be will not be rushed in his comeback from four back operations and a two-year enforced break. Australia's batting is more established than that of any other Test nation. The leading

sex are as secure now as they were in England last year, and it is barely conceivable that they will be disturbed at the start of the series. Complacency is not a factor as any loss of form will result in an immediate call for Tom Moody or Mark Wanth or Decree Lebeston. Waugh...or Darren Lehmann.
These three are players of such class and scope that no other country could afford to omit them all. It is here that omit them all. It is here that Australia's depth of resource is He is an oddball, dressed and roomed as if for an endless isco and manic in his and Lehmann, has the potential for prolonged comparison and pin has been restored and real, or perceived, confrontation.

STUDENT SPORT

Bartram's best is not enough

By MIKE LAMB tennis, admitted on his return from the world student championships in Hungary that he was simply outclassed. Bar-tram felt he had played better than ever before in a career that has included winning the British student championships and making several international

Barnam departed from the singles in the first round, along with Stuart Worrall, of Lough-borough University. Only Mark Ward, of Huddersfield Polytechnic, progressed to the second round, but he then went our men's team event Britain managed just one victory, over Neither Linda Hood, study-

ing at Aberdeen University, no University, could progress from their pool in the women's singles and they were soundly beaten in the team event.

Geoff Taylor, the team man-ger, said: The level of commitment could not be called egainst full international sides ith students who specialised in physical education degree

netball team arrives in Britain today for a ten-day tour.

SPORT FOR THE DISABLED

Mix of standards at Bristol

championship in Birmingham this August, while a further five completed at the paraplegic world bowls championship in Australia last year. Neil Shaw, from Maidenhead, the male title holder for group five (ambulant without arm disabilities) is a veteran of three Paralympics and won a sold and DAVID Bryant and Tony Allcock, the leading British bowlers, will be among a dozen international players taking part in an invitation event at the British Sports Association for the Disabled/Bristol and West Paralympics and won a gold and two silver medals in Bir-mingham. An outstanding bowler, he played for Berkshire in the (able-bodied) national outdoor bowls championship in They will be joining almost 100 of Britain's best players who, as the event is open to people regardless of the nature of their disability, will include wheelchair users, those with

arm and leg dysfunctions and people with visual impairment. Eleven of the bowlers compet-Eleven of the bowlers competing at the Thornbury Leisure
Centre, near Bristol, this Saturday and Sunday represented
Great Britain at the Interpretation for group one is Mary Great Britain at the Inter-national Sports Organization for Ralss, from Bristol, who is also a David Rhy the Disabled world bowls seasoned international player. Hobday....

cent score, were a Welsh pair, Dean Hardy and Gay Martin, of the Llanelli club, completing a notable double. A week earlier they had won the main pairs

last year.

The invitation event, taking place on Saunday afternoon, will consist of two teams of 12 bowlers, each comprising six international able-bodied bowlers and six with disabilities.

Tony Alteock, captain of one team, will no doubt be hoping to creat present upon Desid Burnerses. team, will no doubt be hoping to exact revenge upon David Bry-ant, who captained last year's triumphant side. They will be assisted in their struggle by luminaries from the world of bowls, including Edna Bassell, Pip Branfield, Mike Jordan, David Rhys Jones, and Jimnsy Hobday.

Notable double for Llanelli pair

patriates and diplomats, includ-ing those serving in the Gulf, were linked with bridge clubs in Britain by the British Bridge national congress in Porthcawl Pride of place among overseas competitors went to the British Embassy in Jakarta, where the winners were C Brown and M Huddart. Their 58.44 per cent League's simultaneous pairs contest. More than 8,000 players r-dealt hands in heats held at 248 separate centres.

The winners, with a 74.9 per

economy were neatly juxta-posed by the London qualifying rounds of the Williams Lee

championship at the Welsh Perivan tournament. One heat was won by the merchant bankers, N M Rothschild and

> Inland Revenue who, when they line up for the final, will be flanked by snother qualifier, the National Audit Office. The event caters for firms in Edinburgh and Manchester were won by the Royal Bank of Scotland and the accountants,

Sous. The other went to the

Smith will miss **Olympia**

By JENNY MACARTHUR HARVEY Smith, Britain's best HARVEY Smith, Britain's best known jumper, will miss this year's Olympia show-jumping champiouships for the first time in the 19-year history of the event. Smith, who will be 52 next month, has failed to qualify for the show, which runs from December 13 to 17.

His only chance of competing is on a wild card — as he did last year - but the show has so far declined to offer him one. The declined to offer him one. The only wild card insued has been to Liz Edgar — at the specific request of her sponsor Everest Double Glazing, one of the show's four main sponsors.

Smith, a member of the 1968 and 1972 Olympic teams, said yesterday, at a press conference for the show, "I'm fit, ready, willing and able to compete, but it's up to the show."

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Under the new Olympia entry
rules — which Smith, as a member of the Olympia organising committee helped draw up - the top ten riders on the national ranking list qualify plus the top six riders from the horse of the year show in October. Smith, who is six-teenth on the ranking list, yesterday accused the Inter-national Enquestrian Federation (FEI) and the British Show Jumping Association of running a closed shop.

Huff profits from some homework

to a 68, to stay four strokes ahead of Per Ulrik Johansson, of

It is a mystery that such an able player as Huff should have performed so poorly on the Tour proper last season. He was among those deep in the dungeous, 182nd in the money list. He staribused his failure to the mineries of these properties. missing of three successive cuts early in the season which destroyed his confidence. Now he has been home working on his own course and has more

A prepossessing Englishmen, little known outside the trade, or inside it for that matter, triumphantly passed the fourth day test with a 69 at La Grande Motte. He is Phil Golding, of South Herts, whose record at three previous schools had been demonstrict. depressing. He made it last year, but only in 89th place, which gave him the entree to only two events on the Tour. Telephoned on the Tuesday in each case to fill a vacancy, he had to dash hurriedly to Italy and Span, with predictably unsatisfactory with medictably unsatisfactory results. Two more rounds like yesterday and he would be able

THE fourth day of the PGA. European Tour qualifying school was dominated yesterday by the United States and Sweben, and particularly by Robert Huff, aged 25, from Las Vegas.

Already eight strokes under par overnight, he reduced the par 72 La Grande Mone course around at the age of 41. He age 68, to stay from strokes. marrowly was Andrew Hare,
who showed character by securing birdies at two of the last five
holes for a 75, one stroke inside
the cut. It fell at 297, nine over
par, with 102 players going
forward to the last two rounds.
Nick Job, too, will still be
around at the age of 41. He
played a solid round of 72, level
par, at Massane, but John
Metcalfe belied his amateur
reconstrion with an 82 at La reputation with an 82 at La Grande Motte. That took him to

> penalty shots for carrying 15 cinbs for two holes, plus one for going in the water, at La Grande Motte. He came home in 34 for a 74 and a total of exactly 297.

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SCHOOLS FOOTBALL

Lancing's attack on target By GEORGE CHESTERTON

EING Edward's, Witley, were unincity not to go one up at Lancing when an early shot hit the bar. Thereafter, the first half went Lancing's way and they crossed over four up, the goals coming from Powell, Kemp and Moulding who had two. After the interval, KES pulled two goals back but Powell put the issue beyond doubt to make the final score S-2.

Earlier in the week, Lancing-visited Winchester, who lost their goaliceper with a broken finger in the first minute. Lancing were three goals ahead at

ing were three goals ahead at half-time and Burton made it 4-O with an inswinging corner.

Bradfield drew 1-1 with Ehm,
Austen scoring for Eton shortly
before half-time from a double rebound and Khaksar equalising Shrewsbury drew 1-1 with Manchester GS, a defensive error by Shrewsbury giving Manchester an early lead before Arrowsmith, in his first match, equalised from 30 yards. in the third round of the ESFA Trophy, Sunderland, last year's runners-up, defeated Domeaster 4-2. The scores were level at half-time and it was against the run of play that Halliday made it 3-2 and Rush scored the fourth. Paul Wharton scored an excellent goal from a short corner, on his father's old ground to give Newcastle a 1-0 win over Bradford. The highest scoring of the round came when stillington and Camden defeated Crayden 7-3.

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FRANKFURT

The German is due to play his

opening group match against Andres Gomez tonight, but not

until the second match of the

evening by which time Sanchez, if he loses again, could be effectively out of the tournament. Becker is clearly being given as much time to get fit as

possible by the organisers. Either that, or Sail, the German satellite station, which has been televising the tour this year, has

manded Becker in prime

Edberg, meanwhile, fresh from an exhibition in Milan on Sunday night from which he earned \$30,000 for playing one 16-point tie-break, had to work rather harder for his money—and a precious 50 ranking points

and a precious 50 ranking points

— against Sanchez. The tough
Spaniard had admitted the day
before that, as the last to qualify
in the eight-man field, he had
nothing to lose on his debut in
the championships and he remained true to his word, at least
for the lirst set.

As the Swede struggled to find

As the Swede struggled to find a rhythm on his service, San-

chez beavered away, rarely breaking his purposeful stride

and matching the world No. I serve for serve and volley for volley in a manner which belied

specialist. So dominant was the serve on the fast Supreme

service that there were no break points until the 11th game when

of them with a miraculous backhand volley which only an athlete of Edberg's ability would have reached, let alone

however, Sanchez came straight back in the tie-break, but he had

to rely on an Edberg double-fault to take his fifth set point.

Angered by his own inadequacy. Edberg increased the tempo of his game, gained a vital morale-lifting break early in the second set and allowed

Sánchez only three more games thereafter, completing his 6-7, 6-

2, 6-1 victory in just over two hours. "At least I played well for

a set," the Spaniard said. Edberg, who had beaten San-

chez in all their last four meetings, was just happy to get the first match out of the way.

"You are always a little bit nervous playing first because everything is new, the pace of

the court and the balls, every-thing. The court is very quick and the balls are rocket hard, but I didn't drop my serve in the whole match and now that this

one is out of the way, I feel I am really getting into the tour-nament." That is an ominous thought for the rest.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Injuries give Scotland football coach cause for concern on the eve of their European championship match

Leoni is

Worried Roxburgh gives key midfield role to McAllister

THE dilemma facing Andy Roxburgh as he ponders his Roxburgh as ne puntant Scotland's meeting with Bulwas concisely expressed yes-terday when he said: "This is not a game for the inexperienced or untried player, but in the position we find ourselves

the position we find ourseaves there is not a lot of choice."

Scotland will probably be obliged to depend, in the vital midfield area, on two players who have accumulated eight who have accumulated eight caps between them. The principal burden will fall on Gary McAllister, of Leeds United, who will make his sixth appearance for them. According to Roxburgh, McAllister will be the schemer in central midfield, the position the player prefers most.

"He is a very inexperienced player at this level," Roxburgh said, "but sometimes the hour demands, and he will have responsibility thrust upon him. I have great faith in him."

McAllister is apparently undamnted by the expectations of his coach. He said: "We are look for a going to go out to look for a win. With our three regular midfield players unable to take part I feel that I want more responsibility, and that is something I believe I will relish. It will be a help to me that I am playing in the position I like best."

Roxburgh will very likely turn to Jim Mchally, of Dundee United, to reinforce McAllister in the centre of the field. Roxburgh said: "Jim is be would not be given a role is very much in our thoughts and if he plays we would want who made his debut against their section.

From IAN Ross

walifying programme. While Bingham will have

drawn strength from the recent decline of Austrian football at

international level, he is astute enough to acknowledge that

even victory in the Prater

Stadium may simply serve to

delay the disappointment of elimination rather than boister

any genuine hopes of progress-ing into the competition's final

stages in Sweden in 1992.

Despite an encouraging and resolute performance in a 1-1

draw against Denmark in Bel-fast last month, the Irish have a

solitary point to show from their

opening two group four fixtures, the real damage having been sustained in mid-September, when Yugoslavia won 2-0 at Windsor Park,

"Obviously, our chances of

claiming the group's one and only qualifying spot are limited

but my team is improving all the time." Bingham said. "I have

Stratov.
SCOTLAND (probable): A Gorsen (Hibernien): B Moltimale (Aberdeen), DMoffherson (Heart of Middothirn), C
Leveln (Heart of Middothirn), C G (Blisspie of Liverpoot), bit Melpes (Durties United), G
Darie (Chaless) or P Meetin (Evertor), G
ModAllater (Leeds: United), J Bichally
(Dundes United), T Boyd (Motherwell), A
MicColet (Rengers), B McCale (Marchester Utilize).

him alongside Gary. He has been playing very well for his club and I think he has the temperament to cope with the kind of problems he will have." The selection of the flanking players in midfield is more problematic. If he is fit, Gordon Durie, of Chelsea, will probably play, both for the strength of his tackles and for the forcefulness of his because he had continued to feel the effects of a groin strain. If Durie fails to recover, Roxburgh will have to contrive a fresh battle plan,

possibly involving Pat Nevin, experience had suggested that

Optimistic Bingham ready

to throw caution to wind

65,000 America Cop finals after East Germany had been defeated 3-0 in the Prater. Only a quarter of those supporters will return this evening.

failing to progress beyond the first round in Italy was com-pounded in September when

pounded in September when they were defeated by the Faeroe Islands in their opening qualify-

ing fixture. Josef Hickersberger, the team

AUSTRIA: M. Konsel; F. Wohlshrt, P. Arinst, R. Peci, A. Poigner, P. Schoettel, A. Herzog, A. Hoerzneg, M. Liszmaler, H. Pelscht, D. Mackener, G. Withurth, M. Zank, A. Ogris, P. Pucult, T. Polster, NORTHERM IRELAND (probable); P. Kee (Oxford United), M. Donsgley (Memchesser United), N. Werthington (Sheffleid Wednesday), G. Taggart (Barnsley), A. Roger (Celtic), D. Wilson (Sheffleid Wednesday), K. Wilson (Chaisea), I. Doube (Luton Town), C. Clarte (Portsmouth), K. Black (Luton Town), S. Sabaffleites: A. McCivingki (West herr United), S. Microwald, J. Magitten (Oxford United), C. O'Nelf (Motherwell), S. MicBride (Glensvon).

Group four

hoping the Swiss will slip circumstances he would have

been rested, but the erosion of

Scottish resources means that cadets are being conscripted

the firing line.
At least the selection of the

forward partnership seems

comparatively simple, with McCoist, of Rangers, and McClair, of Manchester United, working in tandem.

Roxburgh said: "We would

have wanted Brian McClair to play a part in this match because there was a very strong case for including him,

which had nothing to do with others calling off. He could play in so many positions, but I think he will start up front.

We have lost so many players that my problem is to keep continuity as far as possible. Therefore we don't want to

start mucking people about."

The Scottish players are well aware that Bulgaria see this match as being just as

vital for their hopes of qualifying for the European champ-ionship finals. Scotland are

prepared to undergo a torrid 90 minutes in which their

defenders will be severely

tested by the talent of Stoikhov and Sirakov, two

particularly dangerous attac-

It remains to be discovered whether Levein, of Heart of

Midlothian, can overcome a knee injury, and whether Rox-burgh will choose to play him alongside Gillespie or instead of the Liverpool player. What-ever Scotland's selection may

be, it seems a remote prospect

with the point which would

ted 4-1 in Yugoslavia.

With so little to lose, Bingham

with a flare for attack. Wilson,

because of a broken finger, is likely to return, but with Dowie

and Clarke forging an impres-sive partnership against Den-

mark, he may have to be content

with a deeper role, possibly at the expense of O'Neil.

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KEN SHULMAN reports on hopefuls from San Marino

ACCORDING to legend, after being deposed by Zeus, the Titans rose up against the usurper, only to have their insurrection summarily crushed between Ravenna and Rimini. This, is it said, became the rocky

It is probable that Giorgio Leoni, the newly appointed coach of the San Marino foot-ball team, wishes he could count ball team, wishes he could count on similar Olympian firepower as he prepares his part-time team of electricians, teachers, bus drivers and businessmen for the European championship qualifying match at home against Switzerland today.

But he knows he cannot.
"We're smateurs," Leoni admits, with more pride than apology. "Our players all have full-time jobs and work out two or three times a week. The bucky or three times a week. The locky ones are able to train in the afternoon. Those less fortunate try and squeeze in a 40 or 50-minute session between work and dinner. We can play all-out for 40 minutes, maybe 50. But after that, our legs give out."

The San Marino Football Federation, which counts nearly 1000 registered players out of a

Federation, which counts nearly 1,000 registered players out of a total population of 20,000, was admitted to Fifa and Uefa two years ago. Today, in front of a home crowd that might include up to 10 per cent of the nation's population, the team will play its first official international match in group two. a section match in group two, a section which includes Scotland.

Qualification for the Euro-an championships in Sweden pean championsmps in sweeter is definitely out of the ques-tion." Leoni says fiarly. "We just want to make a good showing, to make the most out of this international debut. I would be satisfied with an honorable de-feat, 1-0 or 2-0."

In its limited international experience, and given its size, San Marino has shown that it can hold its own. In 1987, they finished fifth in a field of eight at the Mediterranean Games at

Aleppo, Syria.

The San Marino players are preparing for the match with an amalgam of nerves, philosophy, and realism. Stefano Berti, a physical education instructor, national team since 1982, his students had no idea that he even played footbell until a Swiss television arrived in his

classroom last week.
"It never entered my mind to
tell them," he says. "And besides, I wasn't supposed to play at all this year. I wasn't even supposed to play last year. Officially, I'm the goalkeeper coach. It's just that our first two

coach. It's just that our first two keepers are injured."
The San Marino team in-cludes only two players with latian first division experience — Massimo Bonini and Maroo Macina. Bonini, who played for Juventus with Michel Platini in the mid 1980. Juventus with Michel Platini in the mid-1980s, now plays for Bologna. Aged 31, he remains a tireless runner with a nose for the ball and is by far San Marino's most experienced player. Unfortunately, with Bologna scheduled to play Modena in the Italian Cup tomorrow, Leoni may not be able to count on Bonini for the Switzerland match.

San Marino's other pro-fessional player is the forward, Marco Macina. Already in the sights of various Italian scouts by the time be was ten. Macina was the outstanding player and the leading scorer of an Italian under-16 team which included

100 per cent. And that we can't afford a moment's distraction. We realise that the Swiss players are on another plane. From another planet. But we're men

FOOTBALL.

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After that anything is possible. It would seem that it is the aim of Luxambourg, who have been beaten 9-0 at home and away by England, to move up from cannon fodder to banana skin. "We know that we will never participate at the finals of any World Cup or European championship but we think we have improved very much our football," Paul Philipp, their

their number play full time abroad, in Belgium, Switzerland not won a competitive match in 18 years but the last time they scored a point in a European years ago in Esch against Scot-land, another who know all

their opponents early on

"We've got to snort fire from the start," said Yorath, who is long enough in the tooth to remember the days when the Welsh dragon did, "and make them frightened of us. Then if we beat Luxembourg we can go to Belgium next spring with two wins under our belt and I would

THE mathematics shifted a fraction further in Stefan Edberg's avour after the opening group match in the ATP world championships in Frankfurt last night. That was partly because Edbers, the world No. 1, increased his leaf over Boris Becker in the computer rankings to 275 points by betting Emilio Science, partly because Becker. to 275 points by besting Emilio Sánchez; partly becase Becker, whose progress towards the city was beginning to assume the appearance of an imperial march by yesterday e'eninghad increased fears about his fitness by insisting that he needed to practise in privile. Three bouncers on the door the practice court ensured that

Rising to the challenge: McCarthy, the Republic of Ireland defender, repels an attack from Olney in yesterday's under-21 international against England in Cork.

England won 3-0. Report, page 42

Welsh must not slip up on the banana skin in the fog

WALES (probable): N Southall (Eventon); C Blackmore (Manchessar United), P Bodia (Swindon Town), M Alzewood (Bratol City), E Young (Crystal Palace), K Reactite (Eventon), B Home (Southamp-lon), P Nicholes (Cheissa), I Rest

Group five

From CLIVE WHITE IN LUXEMBOURG

IT is possible for the formality of victory to come as a surprise, then it will do so today for the people of Wales if the Principality succeeds in defeating the grand duchy in their European championship qualifier here. Wales's capacity for slipping

up on benana skins is legendary and one does wonder whether the fog here as they approach this game, understandably, with their heads in the air after their

their heads in the air after their great triumph over Belgium at the Arms Park last month.

Terry Yorath, their manager, be when it is happening to you and has duly warned his players of the dangers of complacency.

"Even the man in the street who has congratulated as on over has congratulated us on our great result against Belgium is frightened of us losing this one," he said.

he said.

After all, it is not as though the two countries are a mile spart in world standings as was the case when Luxembourg played West Germany, the world champions, here a fortnight ago. The Germans won 3-2 and, apparently, were

most Luxembourg are bank clerks, teachers and, in one case, a pizzeria owner rather than footballers. Pierre Pitr, a mathematica teacher, has been set the difficult test of marking lan Puch; a methem possible processible. lan Rush; a problem possibly without a solution. Only three of

about custard pies. Yorath is hoping, though, that the result against the Germans will some adventurous than they were in that game, when they fielded just one striker. Wales can be expected to try to impose their "professionalism" upon

fancy us to turn over Belgium as well." Careful, Terry.

manager, said yesterday. Nevertheless, first and fore-Tiverton will be hoping to spring an FA Cup surprise

FIRST sight of the FA Cup firstround draw — an away match against Aldershot — left John Owen, the Tiverton Town man-ager, feeling kicked in a stomach fed on a rich diet of dreams conjured by the Devon club's first competitive chance against

a League club.
"I thought: 'Oh no'," Owen said. "It's an away tie. I wanted to play at home; I didn't want an

above us. It is a real David v

are on another plane. From Goliath thing.

another planet. But we're men like they are. And on the pitch, it's still 11 against 11."

Goliath thing.

"We've got to get the bit between our teeth. We need to do our defending properly and

FA CUP

say we cannot get a draw and bring them back down here." If there is one thing in which Owen takes pride from his four years at Tiverton, it is in fusing a positive approach. "When I first came here," he said, "the play-ers used to go into the dressingroom before a match and say: "They've got that player and that look at me and say he's got 11



Owen: dreaming of glory

NATIONAL LEAGUE GARLY Toronto Maple Lands 6. Winnipeg Just 2.

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SNOCKER

PACIFIC CUP FRIAL: Western Ser New Zeelend Macris 18 (in Tonga).

Peter Rogers, the cousins who played in Exeter City's glorious

Cup run of 1980-1, Martyn, aged 36, played an immaculate game at sweeper when Tiverton beat Peacehaven and Telscombe 3-2 at their Ladysmead ground in the fourth qualifying round. Peter, aged 37, and in the bonner to play was injured but he hopes to play in a Great Mills League match at Bideford tonight, and take his place in "a free role behind the two front players: one suited to my age" on Saturday.

He plays down Tiverton's chances. Martyn and I have chances. "Martyn and I have merely said to the side that we've got to go out and enjoy ourselves. I don't think we've got much chance of winning. I think we'll have done well if we hold them to 3-0 but, if we do play very well and they play very badly, then I think we can hold them to a draw."

The match on Saturday.

The match on Saturday, wen says, is for the hardworking officials and the supporters. His dearest wish is that, when they file through the rockery at the Recreation Ground at 4.40pm on Saturday, Tiverton will have done them-selves justice. "Maybe we will even have been up there and sprung a surprise," he said.

TABLE TENNIS

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TENNIS

NEW YORK: Virginio Silms chempionables: Finat round: A Sinchez Vicerio (Sp.) bt N Zverova (USSR), 6-2, 7-5: M Maleova (Switz) bt J Wiesner (Austria), 2-5, 6-1, 6-0.

Hull could break run

of visitors By KETTH MACKLIN AS LEADERS of the first di-

vision of the Stones Bitter championship, Hull will have strong hopes of becoming the first club side to overturn the Australian touring team when the teams meet at The Boulevard tonight

Hull have only lost one league fixture, and their Australian coach, Brian Smith, will be eager to put it over his compatriots tonight, which would give Hull the honour of becoming the first club side to beat the Australians

victory for Hull is made marginally more possible by the fact that the Australian coach, Bobby Fulton, has decided to put out his midweek side rather than his international squad. He is presumably saving them for Sunday's equally difficult match at Widnes.
Ettingshausen is the only

survivor from last Saturday's international side to start tonight's game, although Roach, Shearer, and Mackay are among the replacements and Langer, Bella, Kerrod Walters, and Cart-

wright played in the first inter-national at Wembley. British Nuclear Fuels Ltd will sponsor this season's three amateur international matches against France at open age and youth levels for an undisclosed "substantial" amount.

A BNFL director, Grahame Smith, said: "We have done a lot to support rugby league at both professional and amateur level, but this will be our first international sponsorship. It will enhance our long association with the British Amateur Rugby League Association who have many clubs in the leagues around our sites in the North. A large number of BNFL employees have represented Great Britain in amateur internationals and overseas tours." Martin Offiah, the Great Britain winger, had an x-ray

[4], 6-1, 6-4. WTA: Rankinger 1, 3 Graf (Gar); 2, M Newestrons (US); 3, M Seles (Yug); 4, M J Farmandez (US); 6, G Babeani (Arg); 5, K Maissevs (Ed), Recompton, Seles, 11, 24, 270 (2350,000); 2, Newrattown, 51, 079,380; 3, Seles, 3556,874; 4, Sabeani, 8722,533, 5, Movetha (Cz); 55-63,382; 6, Z Garrison (US), 55-69,398, Polester, 1, Graf, 2,250pas; 2, Seles, 3,623; 3, Newrattown, 3,570; 4, Sabeathin, 2,890; 5, Garrison, 2,437; 6, Fernandez, 2,340. examination vesterday and does not need an operation on the knee injury sustained in Sat-

as they carried the game to their

SPORT IN BRIEF **Olympic**

proposal

opponents and they might have had an early reward when Creaney's beader was booted off the line at the end of a move

pic Association's general pur-posts committee. If approved, it is unlikely to be opposed at the next National Olympic Com-mittee meeting in March.

FOOTBALL: St Mirren have signed the former Spanish inter-national midfield player, Victor, from the Italian club, Samp-doria, for an undisclosed fee. doffia, for an undisclosed fee.

all-Trough matches this weekend: Seaming: PA Cup, first round:
Chorley V Sury (3.0); Halesowen V
frammers (2.0); Linemangoon v Northampton (2.0); Startord v Burnley (3.0);
Tamworth v Windey Bay (3.0); Telford v
Stoke (2.0); Window Doston (2.0), Bardleys
Lasguet. Pleas division: Coverby V
Lustroot (2.0). Surger: FA Cup, Res
round: Allacticum v Huddersfield (3.45).

CVCINC: The Township Township.

CYCLING: The Tour de France will start in the Basque port of San Schastian in 1992, the first

AMERICAN FOOTBALL: Defenders set up or scored three touchdowns in four minutes late in the third quarter to lead the Philadelphia Eagles to a 28-14 win over the Washington

BRITAIN could send smaller teams to the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona and Albertville if a tougher selection policy is agreed tomorrow.

The proposal, by its general public house at the entrance to the County Ground.

Sussex have opened negotia-fest bowler,

• Sussex have opened negotia-tions with the fast bowler, Adrian Jones, who left them four years ago to join Somerset. BOWLS: New Zealand staged a late rally to beat Britain on countback in the first international in Wanganui yesterday after the teams had finished level at 9-9.

RACKETS: The top Eton pair, Willie Boone and Mark Hue Williams, reached the quarter-finals of the Noel Bruce public school old boys' championship at the Queen's Club by beating TENNIS: Sara Gomer, the top

seed, was forced to retire with an arm injury when trailing 5-7, 0-1, to Leona Laskova, of Czechoslovakia, in the second round of the Texaco Women's Challenger

Scots pay dearly for carelessness played ahead of Slavchev, who shot over Watt but the ball flew

BIR.GARRIA: D Popov; P Pespov, Mitolov, T Tevetenov, G Slevichev, Penev, G Donkov, D Borkmirov, Dimitrov, H Koylov, V Yodov.
SCOTILARD: BI West (Aberdeen); Michaily (Celtic), B Sheep (Dunisermire), Cletians (Dunise Unic), S Sweens (Clydobens), S Felton (Celtic), P Coenol (Dundee Unic), see Secola, Aberdeen), I Finding (Hibernian), G Creensy (Celtic), Lambert (St Mirreri), E Jest (Aberdeen).

HOCKEY

Hounslow in Cup rematch at St Albans

ST ALBANS and Hounslow will renew their battle when they meet in the fourth round of the Nationwide Anglia Cup on Feb-ruary 17 (Sydney Friskin writes). In a Poundstretcher League match a fortnight ago St Albans defeated Hounslow 4-3. Produsts deserted Fromstow 4-3.

POURTH ROUND DRAW: Stourport v
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Isca v Welton; Firstrands v Jersey;
Sromley v Bournville; Gloucaster city v
Richmond; Cambribury v Cannock; Did
Loughtonians v East Grinetsed or Southgain; Taunten Valle or Hawant v Guildford;
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FOR THE RECORD AMERICAN FOOTBALL

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WEIGHTLIFTING HOCKEY

VOLLEYBALL

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to play at home; I didn't want an away game. The second thought was about their financial position and, by then, I was beginning to feel: 'Hey, we're on to something here'."

Nothing that has happened in From Roddy Forsyth which should have brought them a penalty when Tsvetano Italian nationals, Roberto Mancini and Giuseppe them a penalty when Tsvetano handled as he tried to clear. Scotland conceded the first goal when Cleland attempted to pass back to his goalkeeper only to discover that Dimitrov had anticipated the ploy and had stepped in to direct a lob over Watt into the net.

Within five minutes. Bulgaria over the crossbar. Bulgaria Under-21 .. The second half was not much After being sidelined the past kinder to the Scots, who saw Dimitrov miss his easiest chance of the match when a Scotland Under-21 0 two years with a knee injury, Macina is working with a San SCOTLAND lost ground in the the past ten days has done anything to discourage Owen. The fracture of relations between the board and Spencer Marino club team and trying to make a return at the age of 26. He hopes to use the match today stumble by Sharp allowed the forward yet another unhindered sprint towards Watt. He carried the ball beyond the goalkeeper but the angle was too acute and European under-21 champ-ionship here yesterday when they were beaten by a powerful Bulgarian side that might easily have doubled its score. Watt into the net.

Within five minutes, Bulgaria had doubled the margin and again it was Scottish carelessness which presented the opening. As a Scottish attack foundered, the Bulgarians played the ball forward and there was little cover as Dimitrov burst into open space behind McNally. With the Celtic full back unable to make up the lost ground, Dimitrov surged onand shot on target.

The Scots came close to conceding a third goal when McNally misjudged a pass He hopes to use the match today as a launching oad.

Leoni knows that even to achieve his modest goal, of defeat with honour, his players will have to play the match of their lives.

"One arm we do have is the awareness of being small," he says. "We know we have to give 100 per cent. And that we can't afford a moment's distraction. they are four or five divisions above us. It is a real David v However, the Scots showed considerable character to rehis shot was booted behind at the near post by Sharp, who had strict their opponents to a two-goal margin and in creating opportunities which, with a little luck, might have paid off with orale

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An opportunity for Lineker to make amends

From STUART JONES FOOTPALL CORRESPONDENT - DUBLIN

GAŖŶ Lineker encapsulates the deceptively simple strater, which England's footballers must follow here this afternoon if they are to control the European championship qualifying tie and, con-sequently, their destiny in group seven. "We have to make sure," the captain says, "that the game is played in the Republic of Ireland's half."

In Stuttgart, during the summer of 1988, it was. But for Lineker's own uncharacteristic profligacy, England would have won the opening European championship fixture by a margin clear enough to have established a genuine challenge for the title. In spite of the narrow defeat, their superiority was convincing.

In Cagliari, during the summer, it was not. But for McMahon's lack of control. England would have won the opening World Cup tie but his mistake, which allowed Sheedy to score a belated equalizer, could not be used to disguise the comparatively even balance of the contest.

Lineker does not care to be reminded of either game but he appreciates the need to revive the memories of West Germany and to erase those of Italy. "We played the way we wanted to play two years ago. We got behind them and made the chances. Unfortunately, I missed them all.

Five months ago they hemmed us in and we sat back too deep. We had to hit long balls ourselves and there was no support for either Peter Beardsley or myself. Because we had two wingers, we were

Group seven

REPUBLIC OF INELAND: P Bonner (Catic) or G Peyton (Bournerrouth): C Mouris (Catic), S Stauston (Liverpoot), D C/Leary (Arsens), In MicCarthy (Mithed), R Houghton (Liverpoot), R Wheten (Liverpoot), P MicCarthy (Aston Villa), A Townsend (Chetsea), N Gullan (Mandrester City), J Aldridge (Real Sociedad)

indulge in the long-ball game

and their opponents invariably feel compelled to join the

Yet Taylor, who employed

the tactic to lift Watford out of

obscurity and into Europe,

and every member of his squad is familiar with it. "It is

not as if we don't know all about it," the manager says. "We don't have to play the same way," his captain adds.

As long as, that is, the team

is designed not only to counter the unsophisticated Irish at-

tack but also to dismantle an

effective defence. Taylor,

believing for once that an element of secrecy is bene-

ficial, will not reveal his line-

up until he is officially

The Irish may not form their

own ideas there but

Houghton, Whelan, McGrath

and Townsend, as well as

picking up the pieces which fall from the head of Ouinn

and the feet of Aldridge, will

The key area is in midfield.

required to do so.

creative instincts.

pose ourselves."

scorn on the ugly events which the middle of a thunderstorm in Sardinia's capital. The football was justifiably described as primitive and even Graham Taylor, then no more than the favourite to succeed Bobby Robson, said that: "It stank,"

expectations and become England's manager, he is con-vinced that no such melodicaroma will hang over Lansdown Road today. It will inevitably be "a League fix-ture with an FA Cup atmosphere," as he put it, but he believes that his team will dictate the pace and the

unbeaten sequence of 22 home internationals over four years, the Irish have earned a formidable reputation by using the system which Jack

DUBLIN DETAILS



O Kevin O'Flanagan and his brother, Michael, played against England in 1948, Michael winning his only cap. They also played rugby

 The 1949 match was England's first home defeat by a country from outside the home championship.

The only time three goals have been scored by one player in the sories was in 1957 by Tommy Taylor.

O John Atvec scored a last-minute goal for England in each of the 1957 matthes.

© Cavid Pegg, who died in the Munich air crash, won his only cap in Dublin in 1957. Liam Whetan, who



in the same match.

Ronnie Whelan played against England in 1985 and 1988. His father, Ronnie senior, came on as substitute after five minutes in the 1964 match, for his last cap.

Charlie George played only 65 minutes for England — in the 1976 match.

 Bryan Robson made his England debut against the Republic in 1980.
Gary Lineker scored his first goal for England in the 1985 match. In the 1990 match, Peter Shitton equalled Pat Jennings's European record of 119 caps.

midfield and we couldn't im-

The rest of the world poured were staged, appropriately, in be busy smothering England's

England cannot afford to be numerically inferior, as in Cagliari, but that does not necessarily mean that the sweeper system should be disbanded. Logically, Adams ought to take the place of the diminutive Parker to reinforce the aerial strength but the defence can otherwise be re-The roles of Dixon, a more

constructive choice than Parker, and Pearce become potentially decisive. It is So they must. During an imperative that they act not so much as orthodox full backs, more as midfield players on the flanks. England could then, as Lineker suggests,

determine that the tie is Having watched Aston Villa suffer the agonizing consequences of their excessive caution in the San Siro stadium last week, he will urge his colleagues to be more forceful. Gascoigne, whose contribution may be nullified

> Cowans, whose memory of Villa's fate is all too fresh, promises to be offered an mmediate opportunity to put Lineker's theory into practice. The captain trusts that it will work. Nothing would please him more than to be given a few chances to compensate for his errors in Stuttgart.

naturally adventurous any-

The fall guy: Lineker, of Tottenham, comes off worse in this tussle with Beardsley, of Liverpool, during an England training session

Taylor hunts for measure of Irish

SUNSHINE bathes the mellow autumn hues of the treelined streets surrounding Lansdowne Road rugby ground. Not a man in this fair city doubts that Jack's soccer boys will win there this afternoon. The exploits of the honorary Irishman and his team in Italy have created a

here that knows no bounds I had the most Irish of taxi rides to my hotel. The venabove 15mph nor out or top gear, even when obliged to stop by a red light, at which the car would judder like a beached seal, reflected whimsically in the warmth of Ireland's hottest November day for 18 years on the impossibility of trying to work during today's congestion, that he probably would not by McGrath, and Platt are attempt it, and quietly depos-

ited me at the wrong hotel. "Never mind, sor," he had offered philosophically, doing two U-turns via the pavement, reconsidering our destination interminably at each successive junction, and finally and magnanimously deducting 50 pence from the fare. On the question of today's outcome, his response was instantaneous. "Oh. Ireland, sor," he said, his tone gland's players will have no

DAVID MILLER

politely implying a pardon of my ignorance. I manager has no favourites. He picks them to do the job he wants." Indeed he does; and he did so again yesterday. Without hesitation Charlton has left euphoria among the people out Sheedy, the most creative of his midfield quartet in the World Cup and the man who

the Republic of Ireland traces of sophistication, but now, after reappearing for Everton for 75 minutes on Saturday following prolonged absence he had to be considered slightly suspect.
The midfield of Houghton,

McGrath, Whelan and Townsend means that the Irish intend to run England ragged, to deny the match any rhythm, to turn England's midfield and defence this way and that. Graham Taylor will know, as he ponders on his own selection, that there will be little room for fancy footwork or tactical irresponsibility on a ground where Brazil, Yugoslavia and others have failed in the past two years. Taylor has said that En-

opponents whose game they regularly encounter, individually, in League competition, but the way in which England's new manager plans to unsettle Ireland's vulnerable flank defenders, Morris and Staunton, will undoubtedly colour his reputation during the barren international winter months without fixtures. Will he risk the unpredictable

Before Charlton hurried to get to Cork for the under 2: match, he dismissed the suggestion that he might have conceded advantage by dis-closing his selection 24 hours

luxury of Gascoigne?

team."

The strength of the Irish manager and of his team is that they know beforehand exactly what they are going to

England, never mind the World Cup semi-final, are still looking for such consistency, which may not be aided by today's changes. This is a match which they will face as encounters over the past 14 years they have drawn three times and lost once - in the European championship in Stuttgart - winning only at Wembley. I recall roundly rebuked by Liam Brady when forecasting an English victory here prior to the European championship qualifying draw in 1978.

How will the Irish respond to being favourites? They are well aware it is a possible burden. Ray Houghton, who admits: "We'll have the crowd with us, but that might be a problem. If we're not delivering, they might turn ugainst us."

"We have nothing to fear," he said. "We know their players, and it's only a matter of wildows for 20 minutes and the said. What none should overlook is that Ireland, with players such as Townsend, Whelan of talking for 20 minutes or so and Aldridge, are a far better in the dressing-room before- footballing side than was ever the World Cup. England have little, if any, superiority skillwise, and therefore must be prepared to run as hard and as

> Charlton's only worry is the slight doubt about Bonner, in my opinion the best of the World Cup goalkeepers. A back twinge kept him out of training yesterday, and Charlton admits to a recurring

nightmare over the past twoyears, that he might lose Bonner for a critical match. "People don't realise the

importance of a regular goalkeeper," he said. "The central defenders and the goalkeeper have to be on the same wavelength, and this only comes with repeated match practice. You don't learn it on the training field."

Peyton, aged 34, his reserve from Bournemouth, has been the understudy in goal since Inhany City was the Republic's manner and he republic smanner and he republic

Peyton last played an international cup-tie in September 1988, the World Cup qualifying game against Northern Ireland. Bonner, however, is expected to be fit.

Taylor let slip at his press conference at Luton on Mon-day that he will probably play a flat back four, without a sweeper, presumably in order to strengthen the midfield. Win, lose or draw, he is about to discover the difficulty of being an "interim" manager, of getting the selection right with one chance a month, or even less. He predicts an exciting match. Reality suggests he will be happy with an

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Shearer inspires England

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REPORTS that England are no longer producing good under-21 players look exag-gerated. Yesterday, with Alan Shearer, of Southampton, marking his full debut with two goals, the under-21 team defeated the Republic of Ireland with an imposing display.

England slowly but surely stamped their mark on the game, winning the battle and then playing with increasing freedom. "It was the most aggressive England team I've seen for a long time," Maurice Setters, the Ireland manager,

Shearer, who was signed as a schoolboy for Southampton by the England manager, Lawrie McMenemy, was outstand-

From Peter Ball IN CORK ing. "He has always been a naturally confident lad," McMenemy said. "He's the sort who always looks as if he's ready when the shout comes. He's strong; I've seen him play against experienced inter-

nationals and shrug them off." The Aston Villa pair of Olney and Blake also impressed, and James's control of his area suggested the great England goalkeeping tradition is in safe hands.

The only slight disappointment, until late on, was the performance of Sharpe - possibly the outstanding prospect in the batch. He looked only a shadow of the player who has been in scintillating form for Manchester United recently.

From the moment they took the lead, when Shearer shot home through a crowded goalmouth after O'Dowd had given away a corner to deny

Shearer's second goal -- as

be broke from the halfway line, turned McCarthy and finished with the utmost finality - was a goal which would have graced any of the finer

through for England's third. only the woodwork, two good saves by O'Dowd and a elarine miss from Sharpe kept the margin down to three.

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O'Dowd (Leeds United): K Cutmingham
(Milwest). F O'Dowoghum (Cork City). P
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(Norwich City). A Counter (Liverpool). M
Raily (Portamouth, sutz. K Brady. Sunderland).

EMGLAND UNDER-21: D James (Was-ford); J Dodd (Southampton), C Vinni-costob (Rangers), D Lae (Chelses), J Candy (Chalses), C Ther (Samstey), J Ebbrull (Everton), Ill Bletse (Aston Villa), I Olany (Ason Villa), A Shearer (Southamp-ton), L Sharpe (Manchesser United).

into vandalism at Maine Road

LEEDS United are investigat-ing allegations that their supporters were guilty of "wanton vandalism" during the League match with Manchester City last Sunday

We have started our enquiries and, since we know the name and address of everyone who was in that stand because of our membership scheme, we will find out exactly what happened," Bill Fotherby, the managing director of Leeds, Leeds will be given evidence

by Ray Fell, the chairman of the supporters club. "Any damage done was not malicious. It is a joke among football fans that you have to stand on the seats in that area at Maine Road if you want a clear view and when you have paid £7.50 you want to see the

Leeds enquiry

(Martin Searby writes).

Edwards looks certain to It is the first time the FA has

Edwards is critical of **FA** points deduction

MARTIN Edwards, the Manchester United chairman, yesterday criticised the Football enquiry into the Old Trafford fracas as "dangerous and disappointing".

lodge an appeal against the decision of the FA disciplinary commission to dock United one point and fine them £50,000 for their part in the 21-man incident against Arsenal on October 20.

deducted points from clubs for on-field indiscipline, and Edwards said: "Once you adopt the principle of a points deduction for disciplinary offences, you open the door to the League championship being decided not on the field but in committee rooms.

"We are going down a dangerous road. The problem is, if this is allowed to stand. Association's handling of its there will be cries for other offences to be punished by points deductions. For instance. which is worse - a flare-up lasting 18 seconds or a team with a bad disciplinary record which has consistently kicked its way to points?"

Edwards believes United have been unfairly treated in their first appearance before an FA Commission. Both clubs have 14 days in which to appeal. Although Arsenal had two points deducted, the fines were identical - and it was Arsenal's second turn in the dock in a year. They were fined £20,000 last year after a similar player confrontation in the match against Norwich

The planet matters more than our own fun

can be rather charming. Often it is an essential part of a sportsman's success. "I'm not really interested in anything except snooker," Steve Davis once remarked during his

Sometimes the narrowness is hilarious. The megalomaniacal eccentricities of Jean-Marie Balestre, the president of Fisa, the governing body for world motor sports, strutting about with an Uziweilding minder, is a classic example of this.

But sometimes this narrowness of vision is simply appalling. I was simply appalled myself yesterday, when I went along to a Sports Council talk-in to mark the launch of a new document called A Countryside for Sport. The countryside has always been

used for pleasure, and these days,

recreational demands are increasing

all the time. But the countryside is

SIMON BARNES on the dangers of developing the countryside for sport and leisure activities

not for sport. Recreation is good and nice and, yes, important. But in the grand scheme of things, an openminded person would agree that there are one or two more important things than a bit of fun. Try telling that to people in sport.

There was a strong undercurrent of confrontation during this meeting, for all that some speakers were urging cooperation and consideration of conflicting interests. Ron Emes, chairman of the Central Council for Phsyical Recreation and (here he must declare a considerable piece of self-

interest) president of the British

Canoe Union, set the tone of trade

union solidarity for sport. "Do not

case," he said. "Do not feed them

with ammunition to use against us." He was talking about such spoilsports as conservation bodies. Another speaker went even further, urging everyone to keep a close eye on the Nature Conservancy Council at all times. You will be enjoying your sport in the great outdoors and suddenly they'll come in and make it an Site of Special Scientific

How sneaky of those spoilsports, those implacable enemies of all sporting people: the conservationists, those people with cockeyed principles and bizarre priorities who, for some unbelievable and extraordinary reason, think that the somebody's weekend amusement is slightly less important than the future of the planet.

Too many people yesterday dem-onstrated their failure to understand the very notion of conservation. Conservationists are not trying to conserve for themselves. They are

not trying to set the interests of birdwatchers against the interests of yachties, or motor-bikers, or canoeists. Birdwatchers do not matter in the slightest. Birds do. The protection of habitats, of wild places, of the diversity of life, is nothing less than a moral duty: a duty to, yes, the future of the planet. People in sport have moral duties that go beyond sport. A pity that so few of them seemed prepared to acknowledge

this yesterday. Instead, we had the traditional display of parochial selfinterest the pursuit of personal goals by Committee Man There were, indeed, some people who were prepared to acknowledge wider matters. Professor Allan Patmore, vice-president of the Sports

Council, wrote in the document: "The growing general awareness of green issues ... has highlighted the need for sport, recreation and

conservation interests to cooperate."

This is something, but still the perpective is wrong. It is up to sport to cooperate with conservationists. Sport must allow that conservation is a good deal more important than recreation. What sport destroys is gone for good.

And sport does huge amounts of harm. Recreation is one of the biggest problems to wildlife in estuaries: and our estuaries are of international importance. Skiing developments have created probems in the Scottish mountains. Shooting interests see gamekeepers

illegally killing protected birds. Of course it is grand that people go and have fun in the countryside. I am all for it. But I wish that sport would get its priorities right. We all have more important responsibilties than our own fun.

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